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INTRODUCTION

It has become harder for local governments to provide services that would meet the needs of their citizens, and resources are limited. But the Colorado Department of Local Affairs' Division of Local Government endeavors to provide other means of financing projects by listing various state and federal funding programs. This directory is one of several resources for local governments seeking funding of their community projects.

The seventh edition of the *Colorado Local Government Grant and Loan Directory* continues to make available a variety of programs for local governments in Colorado to choose from to aid in meeting the needs of their citizenry. The directory is designed to provide an overview of grants, loans, and other financial resources available to local governments and communities in nine different project categories:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

EDUCATION

ENVIRONMENT & WILDLIFE

HISTORICAL, ARTS & CULTURE

HOUSING

HUMAN SERVICES

OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS & OPEN SPACE

PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

PUBLIC SAFETY

In researching and compiling the directory, department staff focused efforts on identifying the major grant sources that provide funding to local governments within each project category identified above. Each entry listed contains a brief description of the program, the contact person and phone number, a description of the program requirements, application deadline dates, and examples of the latest grant awards. The directory also includes an index to assist the user in locating appropriate programs. Be sure to contact the person listed for the agency you intend to submit your application to help determine your eligibility.

The directory includes a section on accessing private foundations (*page viii*) to further assist local government. If you are researching programs for non-profit public service providers, as well as local governments, the 2002/2003 *Colorado Grants Guide* published by the Community Resource Center is another useful tool. The guide is available at all Wells Fargo bank branches and at some public library sites. For more information about the *Colorado Grants Guide*, contact the center at: 1245 E. Colfax Avenue, Denver, CO 80281. The Center's phone number is (303) 860- 7711, Fax (303) 860-7723, E-mail info@crcamerica.org and web site www.crcamerica.org.

If you are looking for more information about federal assistance programs not listed in this directory, the *2002 Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance* contains 1,425 assistance programs administered by 57 federal agencies. The catalog may be found at your local library, or you can obtain a hard copy at: Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20401, (202) 708-5126. To obtain a CD-ROM:, write to: CFOA/FAADS, GSA/MVS, 300 Seventh St., S.W., Reporters Bldg., Room 101, Washington, D.C. 20407, (202) 708-5126, fax (202) 401-8233, or check the website: <http://www.cfda.gov>.

The *Colorado Local Government Grant and Loan Directory* could not be possible without the participants of the many state and federal agencies that provided detailed information about the availability of various programs and resources. This help is sincerely appreciated. While every effort is made to provide accurate and up-to-date information, program changes may occur after the directory is published.

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OPENING DOORS

Finding the right person, program, or funding resource can be confusing and time consuming. The Department of Local Affairs has field offices across Colorado to help you access necessary resources and information. The field offices are staffed with regional managers, who are knowledgeable about state and federal programs that support community development. Serving as the link between the Department and communities, the regional managers can help local governments define issues, evaluate options, identify solutions, and achieve results. They also offer management, planning, and community development technical assistance. If they cannot assist you, they will direct you to someone who can. Listed below is the department's Field Services director, and regional manager. (See **Regional Managers map on next page**)

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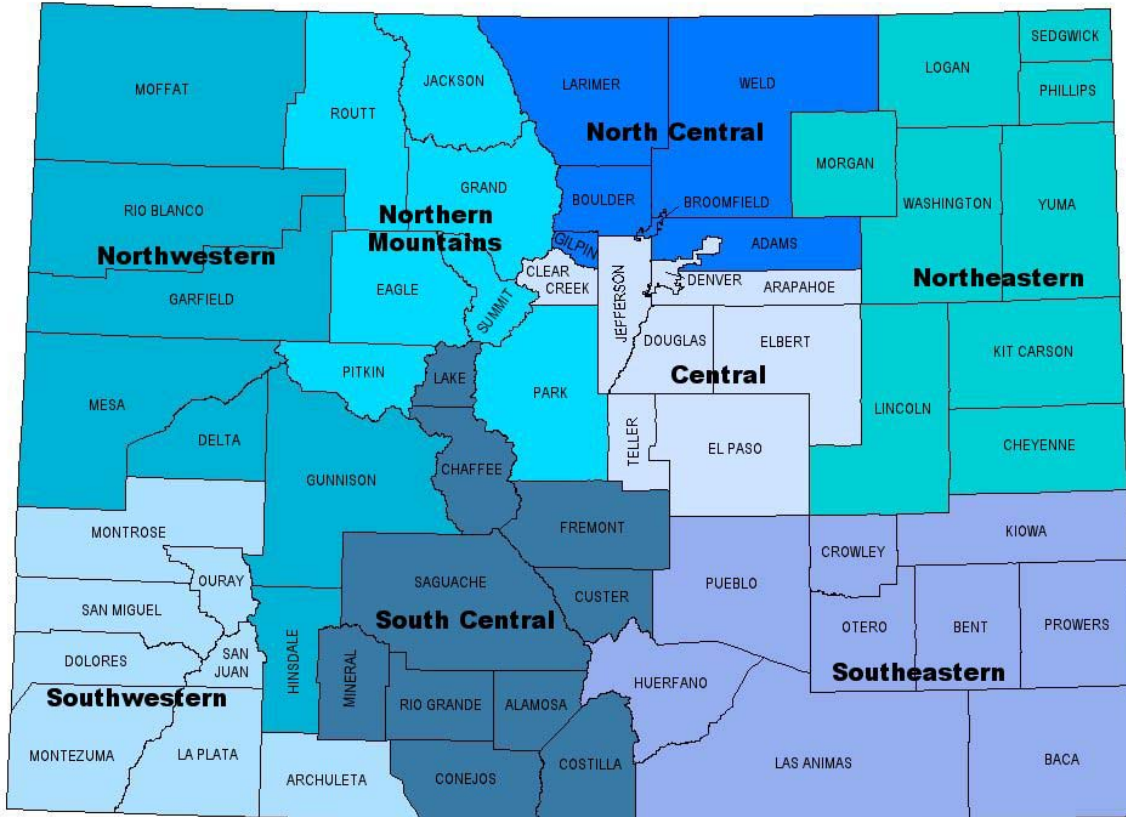
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DOLA FIELD REGIONS MAP



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In addition, the Division has offices that provide emergency management through the Office of Emergency Management, (303) 273-1622.

HOW TO USE THIS DIRECTORY

This directory was designed to serve as a quick reference resource for local government officials and staff. We attempted to achieve a user-friendly format by sorting resource programs by category (see **INTRODUCTION**). Names of contacts and telephone numbers are provided for each program. The program text contains a brief project description, points out areas of interest, describes any notable program restrictions, provides a sketch of the application process, and lists a few examples of recent grants. For further assistance, review pages 124 - 128 of the Index, it can direct you to the page of the program you may be interested in.

GRANT WRITING TIPS

The following is a list of 19 grant writing tips to follow as you develop your strategy for applying for grants and loans:

1. Approach the venture with a positive "can do" attitude.
2. Have a plan. Be specific on how funds will be used. Think of purpose, timeline, and accountability.
3. Have a legitimate need.
4. Resolve community consensus issues before applying.
5. Target grants that are specific to your government's needs.
6. Know your strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT).
7. Know the granting agency and the funding source.
8. Follow up with the contact person.
9. Write a clear and concise proposal.
10. Local Match, Local Match, and Local Match!!!
11. Coordinate your efforts with other jurisdictions.
12. Coordinate multiple needs to achieve multiple benefits.
13. Combine funding sources to maximize awards.
14. Take advantage of windows of opportunity.
15. Be creative and enterprising.
16. Be patient but persistent.
17. Manage your project professionally.
18. Carefully prepare and rehearse your grant hearing speech.
19. Say "Thanks!"

APPLYING TO THE PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS

With a significant reduction in the number of available funding sources to help capitalize community projects, many local governments have developed alternative funding mechanisms in response. One such alternative is a private foundation. The following fund-raising summary can assist local governments and community organizations in pursuing this financing option.

As a general rule-of-thumb, private foundations are more inclined to finance "bricks and mortar" types of projects as opposed to funding requests for administrative dollars. For example, foundations such as Burlington Northern, Boettcher, Coors, El Pomar, The Gates Family, Johnson, Union Pacific, and Wells Fargo have contributed funding for building related projects.

Foundations, such as Anschutz, Bonfils-Stanton, and Piton, are more interested in human services/educational projects. While other foundations may have special areas of emphasis, e.g., The Colorado Trust with health issues, the Coors Foundation with water and environmental concerns, and the Frost Foundation with environmental projects.

Therefore, it is absolutely critical to carefully research and target the foundations most likely to fund your project. Publications such as the Community Resource Center's *Colorado Grants Guide*, referenced earlier, the *Taft Foundation Reporter*, and the Junior League of Denver's *Colorado Foundation Directory* are excellent sources for funding resources, contact persons, addresses, and telephone numbers. The guides or directories will provide a first step in identifying foundations with interest in your targeted area. The next step is to request the annual report, guidelines for applicants, and any other information published by the foundation. These documents will detail priority areas, missions, goals, and funding history.

Prior to applying to the private foundation, make sure the following issues have been sufficiently addressed:

1. **Planning:** Finalize preliminary cost estimates and designs. Prepare a financing plan that demonstrates the community's capacity to leverage the necessary capital to complete the project (e.g., cash, debt, other grants, and private foundation contributions). Obviously, the greater the leveraging of the financial resources and partners, the more competitive your application will be. Develop a project action plan that identifies **WHAT** needs to be done, **WHO** will complete the tasks, **WHEN** the project should be completed, and **HOW** progress and impact will be measured.
2. **Local Match:** In the eyes of the private foundations, local cash donations clearly demonstrate community support for the project. Most fundraisers agree that a project should have at least one-third of the resources committed prior to approaching private foundations. Be creative in generating local contributions to your project.
3. **Institutional/Organizational Cash Commitment:** Some communities have used the catalog approach, acquiring additional grants to pay for pieces of the project, e.g., benches, bricks, tree planting.
4. **Enterprise Zone:** Other communities are making good use of the Enterprise Zone tax donation incentive as a valuable fund-raising tool. Contact your local Enterprise Zone Administrator for further information to discover if your project qualifies for Enterprise Zone benefits or the Governor's Office of Economic Development and International Trade (303) 892-3743.

Seek guidance from those who have worked on similar projects, especially in the areas of fund raising, operations, and management. One place to find out who has done a similar project is to check the **Examples of Grant Awards** at the end of the page of the grant or loan program(s) you are interested in.

Use available technical assistance and resource personnel to help you locate funding sources and provide you with preliminary design plans. If you are fund raising for a construction project, it is important that you sufficiently address long-term operating costs/revenues for your new or renovated facility.

Look to corporate entities for potential contributions, especially those firms with large numbers of employees residing in your community or considerable local financial interests. As a result of the **Community Reinvestment Act**, local banks may financially participate in some projects. Likewise, major utilities or rural electric associations may be able to contribute.

If it appears a foundation is strongly inclined to contribute to your project, quickly secure the monies to be used as seed capital. It is easier to obtain additional foundation dollars when one foundation is committed and on board. If homegrown talent has secured an executive position in a corporation, e.g., Coors, BPAmoco, Qwest, ask the former resident to contact the company's foundation or corporate giving section on your behalf. You will be surprised at the scope and extent of your potential contacts and their willingness to assist. Your request needs to meet the purpose, priorities, and goals of the foundation. It may be helpful to conduct a community brainstorming session to identify potential foundation contacts and tie-ins.

Due to IRS requirements, private foundations primarily contribute to 501(c)(3) or 509(a) tax exempted organizations. Local governments may need to locate a pass-through organization to receive and manage the funding if the foundation will not contribute directly. Or your government may want to apply to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to obtain 501(c)(3) or 509(a) exemption status. Contact the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) at 1-877-829-500, and ask for the tax exemption representative and copies of forms 1023 and 8718.

Some Colorado foundations are encouraging the use of a standardized application form to assist facilitating the application process. For your convenience, a copy of the common grant application format is included in this section.

It is helpful to develop a portfolio for your project. The portfolio should include the following documents or information:

- A project narrative and summary
- Project budget
- Design plans
- A copy of a Certification of Tax Exempt Status (501(c)(3) or 509(a))
- Financial statement of the organization
- Any newspaper articles
- Letters of support
- Community surveys and studies

Finally, if funded, keep the foundation informed of the project's status. Take the time to invite the foundation officers and staff to any project related celebrations, events, or festivities. Let them know you want to publicly recognize them as partners and to thank them for their willingness to help your community successfully realize its vision, dream, or goal.

PRIVATE FOUNDATION - COMMON GRANT APPLICATION FORMAT

- A. COVER LETTER - One page tailored to address the interests and specific priorities of the funding source and amount requested.
- B. SUMMARY OF APPLICANT ORGANIZATION
- C. NARRATIVE - The preferred length should not exceed three pages. Include the following information in any order:
 1. Agency Information.
 - Mission statement, brief statements of organization's goal and/or objectives;
 - Brief summary of organization's history;

- Description of current programs, activities, and accomplishments; and
- Contact person and phone number.

2. Purpose of the grant.

- This section should include the following information:
- A brief statement of the issue to be addressed, description of the constituency served (include number served), the target audience, and how they will benefit;
- A description of goals and objectives for the purpose of the grant;
- A description of activities planned to accomplish these goals;
- Describe whether or not this is a new or ongoing activity on the part of sponsoring organization;
- A timetable for implementation;
- Other organizations, if any, participating in the activity; and
- Long-term success/strategy for funding at the end of the grant period.

D. ATTACHMENTS - Please attach the following:

1. Board of directors:
Occupation and/or community affiliations; and an antidiscrimination statement adopted by the board.
2. List of names and qualifications of key staff;
3. Most recent fiscal year-end financial statements (audit if available);
4. Current budget;
5. Annual report (if available);
6. Program/project budgets;
7. A copy of the original IRS determination letter indicating 501(c)(3) or 509(a) tax-exempt status;
8. List of major contributors to organization/program (if applicable); and
9. List of volunteers' involvement and in-kind contributions.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

RURAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROJECTS

PURPOSE:

The Colorado Rural Technology Programs (CRTP) provides seed grant funding for rural communities to develop innovative technology based solutions to meet their local economic development goals. CRTP has invested in over 35 projects in 27 rural communities, resulting in the diversification of rural economies and diffusion of advanced technology among K-12 schools, community colleges, universities, health care providers, local governments, individuals, businesses, and organizations. The CRTP is a program of the Colorado Community College and Occupational Education System. CRTP's presence in rural areas has evolved over the past seven years and is now expanding its mission by offering educational opportunities about the role of Information Technologies for rural community leaders through the development of the Colorado Rural Technology Program Academy.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Organizations proposing community-based technology projects for rural service areas in Colorado are eligible to apply. Community-based telecommunications projects are defined as collaborative partnerships among diverse organizations aimed at increasing economic development through the application and diffusion of information technologies, such as telecommunications, software, digital media, etc. Since its inception CRTP funding has helped plan and implement telecommunications projects to promote tourism, encourage business relocation, diffuse Internet technology, and electronically distribute local government information.

RESTRICTIONS:

All organizations applying for CRTP funds must propose services for rural service areas in Colorado, defined as not existing within a U.S. Department of Census Metropolitan Statistical Area.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Community Colleges and 4-year colleges must submit to CRTP a request for start-up funds to establish a satellite Academy. Five regional, semi-annual training workshops will be offered.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Proposals are typically due in mid-August, award decisions rendered by mid-September.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity	Project Description	Amount
San Juan County	Technology training and public access to Internet community businesses to promote diverse tourism based economy of Silverton	\$17,787
Ouray County	Ridgway based technology incubator to stimulate growth of information technology businesses	\$30,000
Town of Peetz	Technology training center, public access Internet site, Agricultural Information Center opportunities for community to learn about technology related business management skills	\$20,000
Internet Masters Program	Training communities on technology	\$5,000
Aspen	Rural TeleCon '99, and, a conference held every year	\$88,000
TOTAL		\$160,787.00

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

AGRICULTURAL VALUE-ADDED DEVELOPMENT FUND

PURPOSE:

Administered by Agricultural Value-Added Development Board, the fund is meant to encourage, promote, and stimulate agriculturally based economic development and employment in rural Colorado. The purpose of the fund is to facilitate the processing of agricultural products and commodities within the state to further stimulate the economy and employment in rural Colorado and to serve as a resource for the state's agricultural industry.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The Board has the power to make grants, extensions of credit, and equity investments and to offer tax credits for eligible value-added agricultural projects so long as such agricultural project are located solely in Colorado and comply with the criteria established by the Board, add value to agricultural products, and aid the economy of a rural community. In addition, the Board has the power to sell tax credits with the proceeds of these sales going to the Colorado Agricultural Value-Added Development Fund.

RESTRICTIONS:

The Board must use the following criteria to determine an award: (1) The amount of the cash funds invested in the rural agricultural project from private sources shall be at least \$5,000; (2) Of the total amount of such cash funds, at least 50 percent shall be from private individuals or entities who reside in Colorado more than half of each year or are domiciled in Colorado; (3) The experience, professional qualifications, and business background of the directors and consultants chosen to lead the agricultural business project shall be such as to give the project a reasonable chance of success; (4) The schedule of the project shall be such as to give the project a reasonable chance of success within three years at a constant or declining rate of support from the Board in the form of grants, extensions of credit, or tax credits, or a combination thereof. In addition, the Board may consider the business: planning for long-term success through feasibility studies, marketing plans, and business plans; net economic benefit to the state; and net economic impact on other local businesses. The Board may reject any application.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Agricultural value-added cooperative members and agricultural value-added businesses are eligible for a credit in an amount equal to the lesser of 50 percent of their cash investment in the coop/business or \$15,000 not to exceed tax liability. The total amount of tax credits allowed with respect to any one project cannot exceed \$1,500,000. If the Board determines that less than \$4,000,000 worth of tax credits will be issued for projects, the Board may sell the remaining authorized tax credits to resident individuals or domestic or foreign corporations that purchase tax credits or contribute cash funds to the Board.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Tax credits are available each year the State Controller certifies that the amount of state revenues for the state fiscal year exceeds \$400,000,000. The State Controller will certify state revenues to the Board on October 25. During years the tax credits are available, the Board may issue a maximum of \$4,000,000 in tax credits.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

None at this time.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DOMESTIC TRADE SHOW ASSISTANCE

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the program is to encourage the marketing efforts of Colorado companies that process and/or grow Colorado food products. The Department of Agriculture administers the grant funding for this program, which is provided by the Colorado Economic Development Commission.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Colorado businesses are assisted in terms of providing funding to encourage first-time attendance at domestic food trade shows.

RESTRICTIONS:

Applicants must be Colorado companies that grow or process food products in Colorado with a Colorado address on their label. If there is a Colorado section at the trade show companies must be part of that section. If the Colorado company has additional growing or processing facilities outside Colorado, the Colorado facility must be the applicant and attendee at the show. Only those companies that are first-time attendees at the selected trade show are eligible.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Companies should first check with the Department of Agriculture to determine current availability of funds. Colorado businesses must file a Booth Request/Application Form. The annual maximum grant award is \$1000 per company. Companies will only be assured of funding on a first come-first served basis, with a priority to companies which are classified as small businesses based on the U.S. Small Business Administration guidelines, i.e. 500 employees or less.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Companies must return the completed application form no less than three months prior to the show along with a copy of the show brochure.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Gindi Gourmet (Boulder)
Rocky Mtn. Popcorn (Lafayette)
Smashing Creations (Boulder)
Penelope's of Evergreen (Evergreen)
Mouthfuls, Inc. (Golden)
Kim's Gourmet (Castle Rock)

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

AGRICULTURAL PROCESSING FEASIBILITY GRANT PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

The Department administers grant funding through the Colorado Agricultural Value-Added Development Board (CAV-ADB) for agricultural feasibility studies.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Studies that evaluate the potential of proposed business ventures in agricultural value-added projects and aid rural economies.

RESTRICTIONS:

Based on the potential availability of Agricultural Product Utilization Contributor Tax Credits the CAV-ADB is offering, for a limited time, additional Colorado Value-Added Grants. The grants will be funded from CAV-ADB's available funds with 50 percent from funds received from the sale of tax credits secured by the private enterprise.

The grant applicant is responsible for securing commitments to purchase the necessary tax credits. Agricultural Product Utilization Contributor Tax Credit Applications amounting to at least 50 percent of the requested grant amount must be submitted with the Colorado Value-Added Grant Application. The contribution for tax credits must be made to the CAV-ADB after the grant is approved by CAV-ADB but in no event can the contribution be received later than June 1, 2002. For example, if the applicant applies for a \$50,000 grant that meets all the criteria and CAV-ADB approves the grant request, then \$25,000 would come from CAV-ADB's available funding and \$25,000 would come from funds received from the sale of tax credits secured by the private enterprise.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

A local government must serve as the applicant. The business needing assistance must approach the local government in which the project will be located. The local government, upon approval, makes application to the Department for review. Awards will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria: (1) economic development potential for the agricultural industry and community; (2) credibility and merit; (3) probability of near-term commercialization and practical application of project results; (4) presence, source and level of matching funds; (5) where the project will have an economic impact; and (6) individual judgment of board members as to the proposal's likely success.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Call the Department to find out about available funding

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Sunflower Oil Dust Suppressant (Kiowa County)
Fish Food Extrusion (W. Colorado Business Development Corp.)
Composting (Delta County)
Oil Processing (Prowers County)

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**AGRICULTURAL
INTERNATIONAL TRADE
PROMOTION PROGRAM
(AITPP)**

PURPOSE:

The Colorado Department of Agriculture in cooperation with the Colorado Economic Development Commission has developed the Agricultural International Trade Promotion Program (AITPP) to increase exports of Colorado food and agricultural products by encouraging greater participation of Colorado companies in international trade and promotion events.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The Agricultural International Trade Program (AITPP) provides financial support to Colorado firms wishing to participate in international trade shows, promotional events, and pre-approved U.S. shows where the purpose of the exhibitors is to generate international sales.

RESTRICTIONS:

To be eligible for assistance under this program, Colorado firms must be promoting their company's goods and services at an international trade show or promotional event to take advantage of export opportunities. Reimbursable direct expenses include only those expenses attributable to promoting agricultural and food products that originate within the State of Colorado. Reimbursable foreign trade show and promotional expenses include the following: space rental fees, participation fees, booth/space design, construction, furniture and equipment rental, translator fees at show and translation costs for materials, dismantling the booth, transportation of equipment and exhibition materials, booth utility costs, travel, lodging, meals and other direct costs with prior approval of the AITPP Overview Committee.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Under AITPP, the Markets Division of the Colorado Department of Agriculture will reimburse the successful applicant up to 35 percent of expenses directly attributable to the applicant's participation in the trade show (up to \$1,750 per show). They will reimburse the grantee no more than \$3,500 per company per year.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications accepted throughout the year subject to funding availability and program changes.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

BEGINNING FARMER & PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND PROGRAMS

PURPOSE:

The Colorado Agricultural Development Authority (CADA) issues tax-exempt bonds to provide long term financing to agricultural producers. Interested applicants should check with the Colorado Agricultural Development Authority (CADA) at the outset of their projects to assess the feasibility of tax-exempt financing through one of the following financing programs.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

BEGINNING FARMER PROGRAM: Interested borrowers must be beginning farmers or ranchers, approved by a lender. Funds can only be used for the purchase of agricultural land and depreciable agricultural property they define. A Beginning Farmer is an individual who has never owned farmland that is equal to or greater than 30 percent of the median county farm acreage or has a land value of more than \$125,000.

The government or CADA does not guarantee Beginning Farmer loans. The borrower and lender mutually agree on the terms of the loan. Interest rates can either be fixed or floating. The maximum amount for which a bond can be issued is \$250,000. CADA must approve loan applications within 60 days of any payments made on the project. This program may be used in combination with the other federal Beginning Farmer loan programs.

PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND PROGRAM: Besides the Beginning Farmer Program, tax-exempt Private Activity Bonds may be available for agricultural processing or pollution control projects. For further information, please contact Jim Rubingh at the Colorado Department of Agriculture to see if your project qualifies.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

In 2001, 34 loans totaling \$4.9 million were made to beginning farmers.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF HOUSING

COLORADO PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND PROGRAM (PAB)

PURPOSE:

The program provides private industry tax exempt Private Activity Bonds (PAB's) to encourage private investment in creating and sustaining jobs, housing, and higher education. The PAB Program allocates bond issuance authority, not actual dollars. While local governments sponsor the bond issues, they are not liable in the event the project defaults.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

PAB's are issued for a variety of activities, including manufacturing (\$10 million maximum); qualified redevelopment projects; single family mortgage revenue bonds; qualified residential rental projects; multi-family housing projects; water, sewer, solid waste disposal, and hazardous waste facilities.

RESTRICTIONS:

The Department recommends any project developer considering use of PAB's to seek the advice of bond counsel at the outset of the project to (1) determine eligibility under federal definitions for PAB's and (2) assess whether project financing could be structured in such a way as to avoid the necessity of a PAB allocation. PAB Program priorities for 2001 include the following: (1) projects that demonstrate community support; (2) evidence of ability to issue PAB's by September 15; (3) demonstrated impact of the PAB-financed development on local demographic need indicators, e.g., high unemployment, low housing vacancy rates, etc.; and (4) project size ranges from \$3 million to \$12 million.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Direct PAB Allocations are available for local governments with populations exceeding 27,000. The Direct Allocations are available each year until September 15, at which time any unused Direct Allocations are relinquished to the Statewide Balance. Each application to the Statewide Balance must have an inducement resolution attached from the applying local government. Local allocations are available from qualified local governments. The application period for Direct Allocation is January 1 to September 15. The first application deadline for the Statewide Balance is around January 20. The second application deadline is August 30 subject to the availability of allocating authority. Deadlines are tentative; contact Jennie Rodgers for more information.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

The first application deadline for the Statewide Balance is around January 20. The second application deadline is August 30 subject to the availability of allocating authority.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT AWARDS:

Entity	Description of Services	Amount
Metro Mayors Caucus	Single family mortgage	\$5,000,000
The Village at Avon	Rental housing	\$11,000,000
Waterford Place Apartments	Rental housing	\$4,150,000
Eagle County	Mortgage Credit Certificates	\$5,000,000

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CHFA - BUSINESS

FINANCE LOAN PROGRAMS

PURPOSE:

CHFA's purpose is to increase the economic viability of businesses and communities statewide by providing financing to small and moderate-size businesses, thereby assisting in the creation and retention of jobs.

CHFA offers loan programs designed to suit the needs of borrowers, from rural and agricultural businesses to manufacturing and high tech companies to non-profit entities. The product offerings include direct loan originations, secondary market programs and special lending products designed to meet unique needs in the marketplace.

LENDING PROGRAMS:

CHFA's **Direct Lending Programs** are designed to assist businesses in the acquisition of major fixed assets such as real estate and equipment. The programs provide fixed rates with terms up to 20 years and businesses located in rural areas of the state may be eligible for reduced interest rates.

To meet the special needs of Colorado's non-profits, CHFA created a special loan program to assist in the acquisition of real estate. The program provides construction and permanent financing with terms up to 30 years and rates fixed for the full term of the loan.

CHFA's **Secondary Market Programs** partner with Colorado's bank to provide low, fixed rates on SBA, USDA and Farm Service Agency guaranteed bank-originated loans.

In addition to traditional lending products, CHFA's **Special Lending Programs** include Manufacturing Revenue Bonds (MRBs) and the Brownfields Loan Fund (BLF). Manufacturing Revenue Bonds provide tax-exempt financing for the acquisition or expansion of manufacturing facilities including real estate and equipment. The Brownfield program provides reduced-rate financing for the cleanup of environmentally contaminated properties.

BENEFITS OF CHFA FINANCING:

- ❖ Rates fixed for the term of the loan
- ❖ Lower down payment requirements
- ❖ Tax-exempt financing available
- ❖ Financing available statewide
- ❖ CHFA partners with your local lender

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Borrower:	Project Description:	Location:
Premier Roasters	Manufacturing equipment	La Junta
Colorado Iron and Metal	Real estate and recycling equipment	Fort Collins
Tatter Cover Bookstore	Real estate	Denver
Durango and Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad	Pollution abatement equipment	Durango
New Belgium Brewery	Manufacturing equipment	Fort Collins

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT & INTERNATIONAL
TRADE

OED GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

The State Legislature created the Colorado Economic Development Commission in 1987 to promote economic development in Colorado. The Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House make the appointments. Commission members make all policy and funding decisions.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The Economic Development Commission (EDC) considers grants and loans to public and private entities throughout the state to help existing industries expand and new companies locate to Colorado. It also implements marketing programs to support ongoing business activities.

RESTRICTIONS:

Please contact the staff listed above for the most current information and guidelines.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The application process is ongoing subject to funding availability.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANT AWARDS:

Project Description	Entity	Amount
Innovative Manufacturing Company - for location of a new plant that manufactures printing supplies and will employ 20 - 30 people.	Delta County	\$35,000
Region 10 Microloan Program - to match federal funds for a small business microloan and technical assistance program.	Region 10	\$35,000
Rocky Mountain Sugar Growers Cooperative - to assist a multi-state growers coop to acquire sugar beets processing facilities and to retain and create 200 full-time and 300 seasonal jobs.	Northeastern Colorado	\$400,000
Silverton Incubator - to assist in the development of commercial and light industrial sites for existing businesses and a small business incubator.	San Juan County	\$92,000
Stewart Lodges - for construction of a new plant that manufactures mobile recreational housing and will employ 150 people.	Delta County	\$150,000
TOTAL		\$712,000.00

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE & COLORADO COLLEGES OF COLORADO

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COLORADO FIRST AND EXISTING INDUSTRIES & CUSTOMIZED TRAINING PROGRAM GRANTS

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PURPOSE:

The Colorado FIRST and Existing Industry Customized Training Program Grants are co-administrated by the Office of Economic Development (OED) and Community Colleges of Colorado (CC of C). The Colorado FIRST Program encourages the creation of new jobs by providing training assistance to new and expanding businesses in Colorado. The Colorado Existing Industries program strives to maintain existing industrial base competitiveness by providing Colorado businesses with funds used to re-train existing employees and provide Colorado workers with job security. The programs are intended to offset the costs of technological changes and to re-train workers so businesses can remain competitive and increase the state's skilled labor pool.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The Colorado FIRST program provides training assistance to existing firms expanding their employment and to new firms locating in Colorado. Colorado Existing Industry Training program targets companies striving to become more competitive and companies affected by major technological changes. The job-specific training enhances job security for workers and competitive standing for their employers. Grants are for short-term customized training. Local community colleges and/or vocational schools are the point of contact and work with applying companies to create customized training programs.

RESTRICTIONS:

Training assistance is available only for full-time primary jobs that have career opportunities and require substantive instruction. Retail, seasonal, and tourism jobs are not eligible. Most training costs including instructor, curriculum and instruction materials, training supplies, equipment leases, and others are reimbursable, but the company must contribute money and resources to the training effort. The created positions must meet the minimum wage requirements of \$7 per hour in rural areas and \$8.50 per hour in urban areas. Participating companies may be requested to use federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) formerly known as JTPA resources when feasible. For the Colorado Existing Industry Training Program the company must pay for at least 40 percent of the direct training costs. Priority is given to situations where training may prevent imminent layoffs or otherwise enhance worker retention. Call either office to receive more information on criteria and restrictions.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

First request information from Jennie Virgilio (OED) or Eleanor Siskar (CC of C), then schedule a meeting with representatives from OED, CC of C, and the local community college and/or area vocational school to assess training needs, determine eligibility, and review financial information.

1. A business can inquire about the program through a local economic development organization, a local educational institution, and Office of Economic Development (OED) representative, or through directly contacting program representatives.
2. An initial meeting with the company is scheduled by the community college (with the exception of incentive grants) in order to assess eligibility, viability, and compatibility with program goals and to provide links with other needed services.

3. OED requires sufficient financial information from participating company to determine financial stability. Financials submitted will be held in confidence and not distributed outside this agency.
4. Company and representatives of local educational institution meet to develop a grant application for training assistance. This process takes place only after the company financials have been reviewed and approved by OED.
5. Once financials have been approved and all applications have been submitted, OED and CC of C program administrators confer to review grant applications and determine funding levels of each project.

Please note: The Colorado FIRST programs and funding decisions are based on a competitive basis.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications are accepted four times a year in: June, August, October and January. Mini grants are accepted in March.

EXAMPLES OF GRANT AWARD:

Authorized by the General Assembly in 1984, the Colorado FIRST Customized Job Training Program has financially assisted more than 1000 companies of all sizes throughout the state and trained over 100,000 Coloradans.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT (CDBG)

INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG)

PURPOSE:

The infrastructure program is designed to create new permanent jobs and retain existing jobs, primarily for low and moderate-income persons and to encourage new business development, expansions, and retention of businesses located in non-entitlement cities, counties, and towns.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Grants may be provided for the construction and/or improvement of publicly owned water and wastewater facilities and lines, roadways, railroad spurs, lighting, sidewalks, natural gas line services, electric services, and alternative power sources (such as solar energy). This list is not necessarily all-inclusive.

RESTRICTIONS:

Applicants must be non-entitlement cities, counties, and towns. Assisted businesses must demonstrate project feasibility and the financial capacity to implement plans which will result in the creation or retention of jobs for low and moderate-income persons. At least one full-time equivalent job must be created and/or retained for every \$20,000 in CDBG financial assistance. For businesses operating longer than three years, the grant amount may not exceed 50 percent of the total project cost. For those businesses operating less than three years, the grant award may not exceed 35 percent of the total project cost. Grant awards generally range between \$100,000 and \$500,000.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The responsible non-entitlement local government and the business needing assistance must submit a pre-application to the Colorado Office of Economic Development (OED). The pre-application may be obtained by contacting OED. Once the pre-application is approved, the local government must submit a formal application within 45 days.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications are accepted throughout the year subject to funding availability.

EXAMPLES OF GRANT AWARDS:

City of Dacono, water line extension, sewer line extension, roadway improvement, electrical and gas extension (\$290,075).

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT

REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS (CDBG)

PURPOSE:

The local/regional revolving loan fund programs are designed to create new permanent jobs and retain existing jobs for low and moderate-income persons. These programs encourage new business development, expansion, and retention of business located in non-entitlement CDBG areas.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Loan financing may generally be provided for machinery and equipment, furniture and fixtures, working capital, purchase of land and depreciable property. New construction and rehabilitation of existing facilities may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

RESTRICTIONS:

Business must be located in a non-entitlement city, county, or town. Assisted business must demonstrate project feasibility and financial capacity to develop project plans which will result in the creation or retention of jobs for low and moderate-income persons. At least one full-time equivalent job must be created or retained for every \$20,000 in CDBG financial assistance.

Local/regional revolving funds review all loan requests. Loans exceeding \$100,000 require additional state approval. The maximum award is generally \$250,000.

Local/regional loan policies and lending criteria apply. Generally, borrowers will be expected to provide an injection of equity and leveraging of private investment and/or bank financing. Adequate collateral and/or personal guarantees are typically required. Interest rates are generally fixed at Wall Street Journal prime rate for a term of up to ten years (typically 3-7 years). Additional terms, conditions, and requirements may apply.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Contact the local/regional revolving loan fund in your area. If you need a list of regional revolving loan funds and a description of their service area, please contact the Office of Economic Development (303) 892-3840.

PROPOSED DEADLINE:

Ongoing subject to funding availability.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COLORADO SMALL BUSINESS
DEVELOPMENT CENTER

LEADING EDGE PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

The Colorado Leading Edge Program provides in-depth training for start-up and existing businesses.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

For the past seven years the Leading Edge Program has provided intensive seminars for over 3,000 businesses in Colorado. Seminars offer over 35 hours of course work. Individual counseling is provided for participating businesses.

RESTRICTIONS:

Applicants must be either a state (e.g. community college) or a local government. Leading Edge applicants are required to submit a marketing strategy demonstrating how they will solicit participants from their local business community. All Leading Edge instructors will be required to attend a Trainer's Forum. Participating businesses must complete all the required course work and submit a business plan.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Successful applicants can anticipate a maximum of \$3,000 cash per site. Each applicant must commit at least \$3,000 per site that can come from tuition, local sponsorship, the sale of Leading Edge products, or other sources and fees. Applications are accepted once per year in late July with selection notification coming in August. The Trainer's Forum is typically held in September.

EXAMPLES OF PAST GRANTS:

Numerous communities have participated statewide in the Leading Edge Program including: Alamosa, Arvada, Aurora, Bayfield, Burlington, Canon City, Colorado Springs, Cortez, Delta, Denver, Durango, Fort Morgan, Fort Collins, Glenwood Springs, Granby, Grand Junction, Greeley, Hayden, Idaho Springs, Lafayette, Lakewood, Lamar, Leadville, Limon, Longmont, Monte Vista, Montrose, Pueblo, Springfield, Sterling, Trinidad, and Westminster.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
RURAL DEVELOPMENT

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY GUARANTEED LOANS

PURPOSE:

To improve, develop, or finance business, industry, and employment and to improve the economic and environmental climate in rural communities, including pollution abatement and control.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funds may be used to finance acquisition, construction, conversion, enlargement, repair, modernization, or the development cost of rural businesses. Other uses of funds may be for the purchase and development of land, easements, and rights-of-way; purchase of equipment, lease-hold improvements, machinery or supplies; start-up costs and working capital; recreational; tourism; agriculturally integrated operation; feasibility studies and other types of costs associated with a business.

RESTRICTIONS:

Guaranteed Loans are for eligible businesses in communities of fewer than 50,000 in population. An eligible lender is any federal or state chartered bank, Federal Land Bank, building and loan association, production credit association, bank for cooperatives, savings and loan association, and other non-traditional lenders who have experience in commercial lending. The government may guarantee the loan up to \$25,000,000 and the guarantee percentage is between 60 and 80 percent.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are handled through the Lakewood Rural Development Office. Staff will provide application materials and current program information and assist in the preparation of an application.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing subject to funding availability.

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**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
RURAL DEVELOPMENT****RURAL BUSINESS
ENTERPRISE GRANTS****PURPOSE:**

To help facilitate the development of small and emerging private business enterprises located in areas outside the boundary of a city of 50,000 or more and its immediately adjacent urbanized or urbanizing area.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funds may be used to finance the acquisition and development of land and the construction of buildings, plants, equipment, access streets and roads, parking areas, utility and service extensions; refinancing; fees for professional services; technical assistance and the training associated with the technical assistance; start-up operating costs and working capital; and providing financial assistance to a third party.

RESTRICTIONS:

Grants are available to public bodies including local governmental-based multi-jurisdictional organizations and private nonprofit organizations that have been granted tax-exempt status by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) of the United States and Indian tribes. A business would receive funds through a revolving loan fund administered by the grantee. The grantee must have the experience, legal authority, and actual capacity to provide the needed administration.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are handled through the Lakewood Rural Development Office. Staff will provide application materials and current program information and assist in the preparation of an application.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing subject to funding availability.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Colorado Community College (\$20,000); Rocky Mountain Farmers Union (\$52,360); Southwest Community Outreach (\$42,100).

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**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
RURAL BUSINESS - COOPERATIVE SERVICE****USDA - BUSINESS
PROGRAMS****PURPOSE:**

The Rural Business and Cooperative Development Service provide leadership in building competitive businesses and cooperatives in rural America. The programs described below are usually leveraged with cooperatives and private sector lenders to meet business credit needs in rural areas and are subject to change and funding authorization.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

INTERMEDIARY RE-LENDING PROGRAM: Finances business and community development projects in rural areas including cities with populations less than 25,000. Loans are made to intermediaries who provide loans to ultimate recipients. Eligible intermediaries include public bodies, nonprofit corporations, Indian tribes, and cooperatives.

RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS AND GRANTS: Loans/grants are made to Rural Utilities Service (RUS) electric and telephone borrowers using the funds to provide financing for job creation and business and community development projects. Loans finance a broad array of projects including for-profit businesses. Grants target community development assistance, education and training for economic development, medical care, telecommunications for education, job training for medical services, business incubators, and technical assistance. Borrowers may receive funding for grant purposes through a grant to establish a revolving loan fund or a combination loan and grant.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM: Helps create jobs and stimulates rural economies by providing financial backing for rural businesses. The primary purpose is to create and maintain employment and improve the economic climate in rural communities. The program guarantees up to 80 percent of a loan made by a commercial lender. Loan proceeds may be used for working capital, machinery and equipment, buildings and real estate, and certain types of debt refinancing. Assistance is available to any legally organized entity, including a cooperative, corporation, partnership, trust or other profit or nonprofit entity, Indian tribe or federally recognized tribal group, municipality, county or other political subdivision of a state. The maximum aggregate amount that can be offered to any one borrower is \$25 million.

RURAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GRANTS: Help public bodies, non-profit corporations, and federally recognized Indian tribal groups finance and facilitate development of small and emerging private business enterprises located in rural areas. Grant funds can pay for the acquisition and development of land and the construction of buildings, plans, equipment, access streets and roads, parking areas, utility service extensions, refinancing, and fees for professional services. Grant funds can also pay for technical assistance, startup costs and working capital, financial assistance to a third party, production of television programs targeted for farmers and rural residents, and for rural distance learning networks.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DISTRESSED COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

PURPOSE:

Federal grants provided to distressed communities with the purpose of attracting new industry to encourage business expansion, diversify their economies and generate long term, private sector jobs. To provide matching funding for economic development related projects such as public works, revolving loan funds, technical assistance, state and local economic development planning, and economic adjustment.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Public works projects, technical assistance, planning, and economic adjustment. Projects funded for water and sewer facilities that primarily serve industry and commerce; access roads to industrial sites or parks; and business incubator building. Projects must be consistent with approved comprehensive economic development strategy.

RESTRICTIONS:

The project must be located within an area experiencing significant economic distress. High unemployment, low per capita income or other special needs can trigger eligibility.

APPLICATION:

Applicant may be state, political subdivision of a state, Indian tribe, special purpose unit of government, or public, or private nonprofit organization or association.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

City of Trinidad, Industrial Park Improvements (\$800,000); City of Canon City, Downtown Redevelopment (\$400,000); City of Fruita, Park Planning Project (\$15,000).

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE DIVISION

SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAMS

PURPOSE:

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) provides a broad range of business loan guarantee and technical assistance programs to help small businesses succeed in the state of Colorado. The following small business programs are subject to change, funding availability and may require the participation of a local commercial lender.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

7(A) BANK LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM: Loan guarantees are provided to small businesses for working capital and fixed asset purchases. The loans may be guaranteed up to 80 percent depending on size of the loan. SBA guarantees loans up to \$1,000,000.

CAPLINES: Under this program, SBA assists small businesses in meeting their short-term and cyclical working capital needs.

SBA CONTRACT LOAN PROGRAM: SBA provides loan guarantees that provide short-term lines of credit to finance projected cost of labor and materials to perform a specific contract.

SBA SEASONAL LINE OF CREDIT: Through its loan guarantees, SBA advances short-term line of credit to cover cyclical or seasonal sales fluctuation of a small business.

SBA BUILDERS LINE OF CREDIT: For small general contractors or builders, this line of credit finances the direct labor and material costs associated with the construction or renovation of commercial or residential buildings for resale.

STANDARD AND SMALL ASSET-BASED LINES OF CREDIT: Guaranteed by SBA, these asset-based revolving credit lines are designed to assist small businesses meet their cyclical, growth, recurring and/or short-term needs for capital.

SBA 504 CERTIFIED DEVELOPMENT COMPANY FIXED ASSET LOANS: Through Certified Development Companies (CDCs), the Small Business Administration finances the purchase of fixed assets, such as owner-occupied business real estate and equipment.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE LOAN PROGRAM: SBA loan guarantees are provided to eligible small businesses engaged in or expanding into international markets. Under SBA's International trade term loans, a small business may borrow up to \$1.25 million in combined working capital and facilities/equipment loans. The Export Working Capital Program (EWCP) assists existing exporters in obtaining short-term, transaction-based export financing to cover manufacturing costs for export, purchase of goods and services, fund foreign receivables, and for standby letters of credit up to a maximum of 90 percent guarantee of \$750,000.

MICROLOAN: SBA's microloan program provides very small loans up to \$35,000 and technical assistance to small businesses through a network of local intermediary lenders.

PRE-QUALIFICATION LOAN PROGRAM: Under this program, the applicant receives a pre-approval of the SBA loan guaranty prior to seeking financing through a commercial lender. The maximum amount of the loan is \$250,000 and is open to ethnic minority-, women-, and veteran-owned small businesses.

SBA_{LOW}DOC LOAN: Using its one page application, this program provides a quick and easy way for small businesses with good credit to obtain small business loans of \$150,000 or less. SBA provides a rapid response - within 36 hours of receiving the application package.

SBA EXPRESS: Limited to loans of \$150,000 or less, this expedited loan program provides selected lenders with a 50% guaranty in exchange for the ability to use their own applications and documentation.

8(A) BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM: The 8(a) Business Development program provides business and government contracting assistance to firms owned and operated by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals.

BUSINESS INFORMATION CENTER (BIC): A facility where a future or existing entrepreneur can find sage business advice, business planning software, volumes of business reference materials, CD-ROM databases, Internet access, video tapes on business, and sophisticated computer resources all in one centralized location.

SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH PROGRAM GRANTS: Under the SBIR program, small businesses propose innovative ideas for meeting the specific research and development needs of the federal government. The program promotes commercialization of the results generated by this program. Small businesses are awarded federal grants on a competitive basis under the SBIR program.

SURETY BOND GUARANTEE PROGRAM: The program provides eligible small businesses with surety bond guarantees to assist them in obtaining bid, performance, and payment bonds required under a contract through regular commercial surety companies.

SBA FACTS AND FIGURES:

Did you know that in fiscal 2000 the SBA...

Backed a record of nearly \$18 billion in financing to America's small businesses?

Approved more than 50,400 loans totaling almost \$12.4 billion?

Made more than 4,600 investments worth \$5.6 billion through its venture capital program -- a 33 percent gain over fiscal 1999?

Provided more than 28,000 loans totaling approximately \$1 billion to disaster victims for residential, personal property and business loans?

Extended management and technical assistance to an estimated 1.23 million entrepreneurs through its resource partner programs?

Responded to almost a quarter million telephone and e-mail inquiries at the SBA Answer Desk?

Did you know that America's 25 million small businesses...

Employ more than 58 percent of the private workforce?

Generate more than 51 percent of the nation's gross domestic product (GDP)?

Are the principal sources of new jobs?

EDUCATION

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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EDUCATION

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

PURPOSE:

The Colorado Department of Education administers a variety of Early Childhood Programs that lend assistance to children and families in Colorado. These programs are listed below and include a brief explanation and the contact for that particular program.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

COLORADO PRESCHOOL PROGRAM: The Program is designed to serve children, ages four and five, who lack overall readiness due to significant family factors and who benefit from participation in the Early Childhood education program, contact Lori Bowers at (303) 866-6783.

EVEN START: The Even Start Program is a family literacy program that serves families in Chapter 1 attendance areas (or homeless families) who have children between the ages of birth and seven, contact Frank Fielden at (303) 866-6672.

PART C/INFANTS AND TODDLERS: The Department of Education is the lead agency for the administration of the federal initiative under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to implement a statewide, comprehensive system of services and supports for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families, contact Susan Smith at (303) 866-6709.

SPECIAL EDUCATION PRESCHOOL: This is an entitlement program for children ages three to five years that have disabilities. Services are provided through local school districts based on an individualized education plan; contact Jane Amundson at (303) 866-6712 or Nan Vendegna at (303) 866-6602.

TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: The department supports a statewide network of local Learning Clusters that offer training at the local level based on local training needs. A number of statewide and regional training events are also offered; contact Jo Koehn at (303) 866-6706.

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EDUCATION**TITLE I, PART A –
IMPROVING BASIC
PROGRAMS OPERATED BY
LOCAL EDUCATION
AGENCIES**

PURPOSE:

This program provides formula grants through state education agencies (SEAs) to local education agencies (LEAs) to improve teaching and learning in order to enable low-achieving children to meet challenging state content and student performance standards.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Education Level: K-12, Preschool

RESTRICTIONS:

LEAs target funds to schools with the highest percentages of children from low-income families. Unless a participating school is operating a school wide program, the school must target Title I services to children who are failing, or most at risk of failing, to meet state academic standards. Schools enrolling at least 50 percent of students from poor families are eligible to use Title I funds for school wide programs that serve all children in the school.

TYPES OF PROJECTS:

More than 45,000 public schools across the country use Title I funds to provide additional academic support and learning opportunities to help low-achieving children master challenging curriculum and meet state standards in core academic subjects. For example, funds support extra instruction in reading and mathematics, science, computers, preschool, after-school, and summer programs to extend and reinforce the regular school curriculum.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Eligible school districts and BOCES (Board of Cooperative Educational Services) apply for these funds as part of a Consolidated Federal Program Application. Federal funds are currently allocated through two formulas, with most of the funds distributed as Basic Grants. Concentration grants provide additional funds to LEAs where the number of poor children exceeds 6.5 per 15 percent of the total school-age population. Federal allocations are based primarily on the number of children from low-income families and state per-pupil expenditures for education.

PROPOSED DEADLINE:

June 28, 2002.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

The number of school districts that received funds for school year 2000-2001 was 167; the awards ranged from \$8,955 to \$15,197,078; Mapleton 1 received \$405,107 in school year 2000-2001.

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EDUCATION**TITLE II, PART C –
MIGRANT EDUCATION
PROGRAM**

PURPOSE:

The Migrant Education Program (MEP) provides funding to twelve local education agencies (LEAs) in the state to ensure that children of migrant workers have access to the same free, appropriate public education, including preschool education and quality summer school (6-8 weeks for k-12) provided to other children and that they have the opportunity to meet the same challenging state content and performance standards that all children in Colorado are expected to meet.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Education Level: K-12, Preschool

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Eligible school districts and BOCES (Board of Cooperative Educational Services) apply for these funds as part of a Consolidated Federal Program Application.

Funds are allocated by formula to the CDE Migrant Education Program. Colorado MEP then provides subgrants to local Migrant Education Projects. The allocation to the LEAs is based on a formula generated by student counts, and other variables allowed by subject regulations. There are also contingency dollars set aside for the following purposes:

- to achieve state goals and state standards;
- to increase summer school enrollment;
- to support increased identification and recruitment;
- to help cover minimal fixed costs; and
- to increase graduation rates and decrease drop out rates.

PROPOSED DEADLINE:

June 28, 2002.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

The number of school districts and BOCES (Board of Cooperative Educational Services) that received funds for school year 2000-2001 were 13; the awards ranged from \$80,698 to \$1,166,604. For example, South Platte BOCES received \$286,168 in school year 2000-2001.

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EDUCATION**TITLE I, PART D –
PREVENTION &
INTERVENTION PROGRAMS
FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH**

PURPOSE:

The Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children and Youth who are neglected and Delinquent or at Risk of Dropping out provides assistance to state agencies that operate education programs for neglected or delinquent children in state-supported institutions, community day programs, and adult correctional institutions. The program will supplement and improve the education services provided to these children. The program also provides assistance to local education agencies for dropout prevention programs that meet the needs of at-risk children and youth.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Education Level: K-12, Preschool

RESTRICTIONS:

To be eligible for state N and D funds, juvenile institutions must provide 20 hours a week of instruction from non-federal funds; adult correctional institutions must provide 15 hours. The subpart 2 Local Education Agency (LEAs) program requires each SEA to reserve, from its Title I allocation, funds by the number of children in locally operated institutions for delinquent youth. Funds are awarded to LEAs with high proportions of youth in local correctional facilities for dropout prevention programs for at-risk youth.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Eligible school districts and BOCES (Board of Cooperative Educational Services) apply for these funds as part of a Consolidated Federal Program Application.

Funds are allocated by formula to SEAs, which make sub-grants to the state agencies responsible for educating neglected or delinquent children and youth.

PROPOSED DEADLINE:

June 28, 2002.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

The number of school districts that received funds for school year 2000-2001 was 14, the awards ranged from \$6,470 to \$124,873. For example: school district Harrison 2 received \$43,998 in school year 2000-2001.

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EDUCATION**TITLE IV – SAFE & DRUG
FREE SCHOOLS AND
COMMUNITIES**

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities program is to support programs that prevent violence in and around schools and the illegal use of alcohol, tobacco, and drugs; involve parents; and coordinate these efforts and resources with other federal, state, and community entities. Grants made to Local Education Agencies (LEAs) may establish, operate, and improve local programs of school drug and violence prevention, early intervention, rehabilitation referral, and education in elementary through secondary schools.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Education Level: K-12

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Eligible school districts and BOCES (Board of Cooperative Educational Services) apply for these funds as part of a Consolidated Federal Program Application.

Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities funds are allocated on a per pupil basis, including private, non-profit school populations. Of the funds distributed statewide, 70 percent flows through to each school district and 30 percent can be disbursed to not more than 10 percent of the state's districts that are determined to have the greatest need. "Greatest need" is determined by an analysis of objective data relevant to substance abuse and violence indicators.

PROPOSED DEADLINE:

June 28, 2002.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

The number of school districts that received funds for school year 2000-2001 was 176, the awards ranged from \$194 to \$744,272. For example, school district Falcon 49 received \$15,975 in school year 2000-2001.

ENVIRONMENT AND WILDLIFE

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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ENVIRONMENT AND WILDLIFE NOXIOUS WEED MANAGEMENT

COLORADO NOXIOUS WEED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

The Colorado Legislature created the Colorado Noxious Weed Management Fund, in part, to provide grants or contracts to communities, weed control districts, or other entities for the purpose of assisting local cooperative efforts with noxious weed management projects. Organized private interests as well as public agencies may apply for moneys from the Fund provided that the moneys will be utilized to further weed management efforts within the state.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The Fund favors projects that utilize effective and innovative strategies to address noxious weed problems that many communities across the state face. Rather than a source of permanent funding for on-the-ground management or education within a given area, the Fund should be considered an opportunity to help initiate working partnerships, explore and demonstrate successful collaborative efforts, and build on those successes to develop permanent funding sources for the maintenance of long-term weed management and educational efforts. Consequently, the Fund is used primarily to stimulate new projects, enhance management capacity or educational outreach, and leverage untapped cash and in-kind resources, rather than to redirect existing, dedicated weed management funds. Applications that promote partnerships, problem solving, rapid responses to new infestations, and integrated weed management approaches are favored.

RESTRICTIONS:

Due to limited funds and the number of applications the Department expects to receive in any given year, awards are made on a competitive basis with strong preference given to projects that incorporate the priority features described in the guidelines provided with each application form. All funded projects must support weed management efforts in Colorado.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are accepted until 5 p.m. of the deadline date. Until this time, the state weed coordinator is available to advise potential applicants regarding the preparation of applications. Applications are reviewed by an evaluation team and ranked on merit against other proposals. A member of the evaluation team may contact applicants during the evaluation process if additional information or clarification of existing information is required. The Colorado Agricultural Commission and the Commissioner of Agriculture make final selection and decisions. Every effort is made to ensure that awards from the Fund are made equitably and distributed broadly around the state provided that proposals of sufficient quality are available from all areas of the state. An announcement of award decisions is typically made in writing by late February.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Typically, the application deadline is December 15 of any given year. Application packets are available on September 1 and are posted at under the Noxious Weed Program banner.

EXAMPLES OF AWARDS FROM 2000:

1. **The Buckhorn Yellow Starthistle Control Project** (Montrose County) will enhance a coordinated effort to contain and eradicate Colorado's largest know population of yellow starthistle, a highly invasive weed. This species, which infests tens of millions of acres in the West, will eventually spread from the Buckhorn drainage into the Uncompahgre River if left unmanaged. It presently threatens the rangelands, pastures, and native plant communities of the West Slope. This project, organized and led by the Montrose County Weed Department, will use funds to provide cost-share opportunities for infested private lands to acquire a GPS unit to enhance mapping capabilities. **\$10,500 requested, \$10,500 allocated.**
2. **The North Platte Headwaters Weed Management Program** (Jackson County) is an exemplary working model of public-private partnerships that prioritizes target weed populations and provides for management regardless of jurisdictional boundaries. In order to help build the program's capital infrastructure, funds will be used to acquire a GPS unit and a used 3/4-ton pickup. Funds will also be used to launch a containment/eradication initiative targeting yellow toadflax populations scattered across the county's private and public lands. **\$25,000 requested, \$25,000 allocated.**
3. **The Upper Arkansas Weed Management Cooperative** (Chaffee, Custer, Fremont, Huerfano, Lake, Park, Pueblo and Teller Counties) is a coalition of partners formed to expedite and coordinate weed management efforts among counties, state/federal agencies, and private landowners in the Upper Arkansas River watershed. Funds will be used to purchase equipment and supplies necessary to begin on-the-ground containment and eradication efforts to control small and newly discovered populations of highly priority species. **\$56,000 requested, \$28,000 allocated.**
4. **The Rio Blanco Leafy Spurge Treatment/Comprehensive Planning Effort** (Rio Blanco County) enhances on-the-ground actions aimed at managing a growing leafy spurge problem in the White River drainage and supports a planning effort to establish an innovative county-wide weed management plan. Funds will be used to facilitate weed management training of area landowners, implement inventory efforts on private lands, and provide initial treatment of small-scale weed infestations. **\$30,000 requested, \$25,000 allocated.**
5. **The City of Craig Noxious Weed Eradication Project** (Moffat County) is an extension of the city's recently revised code enforcement program and newly updated weed ordinance. As the first municipality to receive funding from the Fund, the City of Craig will utilize moneys to develop and implement a cost-share program for vacant lot landowners, extend county education and weed bounty programs to city residents, and eradicate ornamental noxious weeds from properties within the city. **\$8,000 requested, \$8,000 allocated.**

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS

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PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COLORADO WASTE TIRE PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

Provide assistance in four areas: (1) grants to counties to remove illegally-disposed tires to permitted storage or recycling facilities; (2) financial incentives in the form of reimbursements to local governments and state agencies for the purchase of recycled or reused waste tire products and/or materials; (3) financial reimbursements to end users and waste tire processors to stimulate market development for recycled waste tire products; and (4) research grants to university faculty and waste tire businesses through the Colorado Commission on Higher Education (CCHE) for developing and commercializing new tire recycling technologies.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Creating and maintaining reporting activities regarding the status of illegally-dumped waste tires and state-assisted local program activities for monitoring local project activities: expenditures, recycling as a means of disposal, cost effectiveness of local projects, the status of legal and illegal waste tire storage facilities, research on developing and commercializing new tire recycling technologies and market development for recycled waste tire products.

RESTRICTIONS:

Required approval clearance and coordination will be accomplished per statutory requirements 24-32-114(1)(b), C.R.S.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Developed and available upon request.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

None.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Alamosa County (\$82,098); Delta County (\$60,000); El Paso County (\$575,884); Mesa County (\$256,473); Weld County (\$195,000); CCHE (\$100,000).

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ENVIRONMENT AND WILDLIFE

EPA STATE/TRIBAL WETLANDS GRANT PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

To assist in the wetlands protection efforts. The grant intent is to identify, classify, inventory, and evaluate an area's wetland resources and outline the process to be implemented for protection and restoration or development of wetland protection strategy.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Coordination with other programs, projects, information and education efforts. Activities undertaken should complement, not duplicate existing efforts. Workplans should be clearly defined, applicant's ability to complete project successfully should be verified, the transferability of the project's results should be addressed, and the potential environmental results should be detailed.

RESTRICTIONS:

Limited to the study and planning phase of a project; 25 percent non-federal match required. Public participation work plan (per 40 CFR Part 25) should be included in the application which details how public participation will be provided for, encouraged, and assisted. Program cannot fund land acquisition or the purchase of easements. No more than 50 percent of grant funds should pay for contractual services.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Obtain grant guideline information from the Colorado Department of Natural Resources Executive Director's Office, (303) 866-3556. It is suggested to submit a two-page concept paper for preliminary review by DNR. The concept paper should describe your idea, approximate program costs, and the source of matching funds. DNR staff reviews the plan and assists the applicants to refine their concept for a formal proposal.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

December 1 of each year.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

PROJECT/ENTITY	AMOUNT
Survey and Assessment of Critical Wetlands in La Plata County	\$90,000
Survey & Assessment of Critical Wetlands in Southern Alamosa & Costilla Counties/San Luis Valley	\$75,000
Cucumber Gulch Monitoring Project	\$46,300
West Plum Creek Wetlands Assessment Project	\$45,000
Wetland Inventory Database and Wetland Protection & Management Plan	\$80,000
Strategic Plan for the Protection of Wetlands & Water Resource Protection in S.W. Colorado	\$54,000
Developing Statewide Monitoring & Assessment Tools & Strategies: Eval. of Wetlands Conserv. Sites in Colo.	\$100,000
Strategic Plan for Wetlands and Water Resources Protection in the South Platte River Drainage	\$39,900
Jimmy Camp-Foundation Creek Stream Corridor Protection Project	\$20,000

Comprehensive Statewide Wetlands Classification and Characterization	\$87,358
Natural Heritage Inventory and Assessment of Wetlands in Gunnison County	\$79,000
Town of Frederick Wetlands Mapping Project	\$22,500
Strategic Plan for Wetlands and Water Resources Protection in North Park Wetlands Focus Area	\$39,900
Wetlands and Water Resources Protection in Colorado's Rio Grande Basin	\$39,900
Phase II: Pilot Project to Enhance the Management of Wetlands in Summit County	\$40,000
TOTAL	\$858,858.00

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ENVIRONMENT AND WILDLIFE

STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT PIPELINE (STEPP)

PURPOSE:

The StEPP Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, whose primary mission is to increase the number of energy efficient, renewable energy and pollution prevention projects implemented for the benefit of the public.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The projects should be Energy Efficient, Renewable Energy, and Pollution Prevention, with strong capital investment components.

RESTRICTIONS:

The projects most likely to receive funding from the StEPP Foundation are those offering the greatest potential environmental benefit for the dollars invested. Projects must incorporate quantifiable environmental benefits to air, land water, waste and energy, individually or in combination. Other general requirements include:

- Projects that incorporate energy efficiency, renewable energy or pollution prevention;
- Projects must be initiated within six months to one year of the grant award and completed within three years from the award date;
- Applicants can be from the public and non-profit sectors. Commercial entities are encouraged to partner with public or non-profit applicants; and
- StEPP funds have specific criteria

APPLICATION PROCESS:

To apply for grant funding from the StEPP Foundation, applicants first must submit a project idea online at www.steppfoundation.org. This officially logs a project idea into the Strategic Environmental Project Pipeline (StEPP) and allows a project idea to be considered for current funding and future funding opportunities over a twelve-month period.

Once a project is entered into the StEPP Project Pipeline, the applicant will periodically receive email updates on their project's status. If a match for funding becomes available, the applicant will be requested to submit a full proposal based upon Specific Project Criteria, such as geographic location, environmental category, minimum grant request, segment or society benefited, etc.

A committee made up of at least one StEPP Board member and experts in pertinent and related fields then reviews the proposals received. The committee then makes its recommendations to the full StEPP Foundation Board, which, in turn, makes recommendations to the funding source. The funding source makes the final decision on grant awards.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications accepted throughout the year at www.steppfoundation.org and are subject to funding availability.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Please see the StEPP Foundation website for the most current listing of awards at www.steppfoundation.org.

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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ENVIRONMENT AND WILDLIFE
REGION 8 ECOSYSTEM PROTECTION -
ONE-STOP-SHOPPING

Consolidated Funding Process

ECOSYSTEMS PROTECTION PROGRAM FUNDING PROCESS

PURPOSE:

To provide financial assistance for activities to support restoration of impacted watersheds, protection of pristine or high value watersheds or ecosystems, and water quality improvement.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Contingent upon availability of funds the Ecosystem Protection Program will consider proposal under the following five programs:

REGIONAL GEOGRAPHIC INITIATIVE (RGI) MULTI-MEDIA FUNDING: Addresses EPA Region 8 priorities using partnership and community-based approaches.

WETLANDS PROTECTION PROJECT GRANTS: Helps develop state, tribal and local wetlands protection programs and strategies.

WATER QUALITY PROJECT GRANTS: Supports innovative efforts to address water quality impacts from point sources.

TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL) PROGRAM FUNDING: Provides grants and contract support to address high-priority non point source TMDLs.

RESTRICTIONS:

For-profit organizations are NOT eligible to apply directly to EPA for these funds. Eligibility of other organizations varies from program to program. Funds under this process may NOT be used for: outlining program implementation, regulatory compliance, mitigation, land acquisition, recreational features such as hiking trails, purchase of vehicles, or completion of work which was to have been completed under a prior grant.

Total funds requested for a project may not exceed \$150,000. Recipient must cost-share a minimum of 5 percent of the total project cost of each award for all programs **with the exception** of the Wetland Grants, which require a 25 percent match. However, the EPA encourages applicants to provide match in excess of the required 5 percent and 25 percent whenever possible. This requirement may be met with non-federal cash or in-kind contributions.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Each proposal must include a one-page executive summary of the proposed project, and a completed Proposal Checklist. **(Contact Region 8 at their website <http://www.epa.gov/region8> to obtain a copy of suggested format and proposal checklist guidelines.)** The proposal should be no more than five pages (not including the executive summary) for projects seeking funds from multiple programs. For general information on the one-stop shopping process, contact **Pam Dougherty** at 303-312-6012 or 1-800-227-8917, ext. 6012.

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ENVIRONMENT AND WILDLIFE
DIVISION OF BIRD HABITAT
CONSERVATION

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION FUND

PURPOSE:

To encourage partnerships to conserve North American wetland ecosystems for waterfowl and other migratory birds and fish and wildlife that depend upon such habitats. Both a regular grant program and a streamlined small grant program are available with maximum grant request of \$1,000,000 and \$50,000 respectively.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

This program considers application to do acquisition, (including conservation easements, fee title acquisition, lease or donation) enhancements and the restoration and construction of wetlands. Projects should offer protection and management of migratory birds dependent on wetlands and wetlands-associated uplands. Projects should include new partners.

RESTRICTIONS:

Minimum 1:1 non-federal match. Grant and match funds cannot be used for research, fund- raising, contingencies, acquisition of vehicles, public access components or conservation education materials or salaries, or other routine operational costs. Acquisition projects must be consistent with the National Wetlands Priority Conservation Plan. Funds should be spent within a two-year period. Match is eligible up to two (2) years prior to proposal submission. Check the web site for current restrictions and eligibility information.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Proposals must be submitted in hard copy and/or regular grant proposals on computer disk. Contact North American Wetlands Conservation Council Coordinator at the address above or website for application information. Check the website for current information.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Regular - March 1, 2003, and July 25, 2003;
Small - November 29, 2002, and November 28, 2003.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project Description	Entity	Amount
Multinational Western Great Plains Bird Conservation	The Nature Conservancy	\$93,670
South Park Valley Premier Wetlands and Mountain Plover Habitat	Colorado Open Lands	\$1,000,000
TOTAL		\$1,093,670.00

FORESTRY

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FORESTRY

COLORADO TREE PLANTING GRANTS

PURPOSE:

To sponsor two tree planting grant programs, whose general purposes are to encourage tree planting in rural and community areas, along residential and business area streets, and demonstrate and educate local citizens about tree care.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

STATE STREET TREE GRANTS: The Street Tree Grant program awards up to \$2,000 on 100 percent match basis for the purpose of tree planting in public rights-of-ways (ROW's) such as streets or alleys. Trees can be planted on private property if along public ROW's. Local match can be in the form of in-kind materials or labor.

COLORADO TREE COALITION: The Colorado Tree Coalition grants focus on education, management, and demonstration tree program. Grants to \$2,000 on 100 percent match basis made to public agencies or non-profit groups for tree related projects. Appropriate activities are: inventories, education sessions, management planning, and volunteer training. Partnerships with other organizations are encouraged, match in the form of cash only.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

State Street Tree Grant and Colorado Tree Coalition: The proposed application deadline is December.

Interested parties are encouraged to contact the main office in Fort Collins or local State Forest Service representative in your area.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

1. State Street Tree, Merino, The Buffalo School District planted 20 trees around the edges of their elementary school grounds and at school park. Larkspur, planted eight trees along the highway leading into town from Palmer Lake.
2. Colorado Tree Coalition, Fruita, Dinosaur Discovery tree planting around the museum in Fruita. Tree lined area will provide comforting shade for visitors to the area. Funding provided 22 trees.
3. Kiowa County Fairgrounds -- after the killing frost of 1991, the fairground was in need of trees to replace the badly damaged Siberian Elms in the area. Funding provided 22 trees.

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VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE

PURPOSE:

To assist rural fire departments serving communities of 10,000 or less in improving fire protection.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA): The program make grants available for training, organization, and equipment on a dollar for dollar match basis. The amount of individual grants is dependant upon available funding.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

2003 application information is distributed through the Colorado State Forest Service District Offices, tentatively scheduled for January-February 2002. 2002 applications are submitted to Colorado State Forest Service District Offices, tentatively scheduled for March 31.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

1. Colorado Wildfire Academy - The Academy provided Wildland fire training for 400 rural firefighters in 2000. Scholarships assistance was also provided to rural firefighters.
2. Great Plains Wildfire College - The college provided Wildland fire training to 200 rural firefighters in 1999. Scholarships assistance was also provided to rural firefighters.

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FORESTRY
ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL
HEADQUARTERS

RURAL COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE (RCA)

Economic Action Programs

PURPOSE:

The U.S. Forest Service administers various projects that collaborate with local governments and communities in Colorado. All programs are subject to annual appropriation by the federal government. Interested parties are encouraged to contact the Forest Service representatives located near their community or the Lakewood office.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

ECONOMIC RECOVERY PROGRAM: The Forest Service provides technical and financial assistance to rural communities located in or near National Forest lands that have become economically dependent or disadvantaged due to public land management decisions. Grants, on a competitive basis, are designed for communities to implement an action-oriented plan that promotes diversification and revitalization through partnerships. Funds are used to help National Forest and natural resource dependent rural municipalities, tribes, and counties, with populations of less than 10,000, to organize, plan, and implement rural development efforts at the local level, as called for in the 1990 Farm Bill. Activities include providing planning and technical assistance and cost sharing to promising projects planned for the local level. Matching requirements limit federal contributions is 80/20.

USDA - RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (RD): The Forest Service provides technical and financial assistance to help strengthen, diversify and expand local economies, especially those experiencing long-term or persistent economic problems. Communities need not be dependent on federal lands to be eligible. Grants provide technical assistance and matching funds for projects designed to stimulate improvements in the economic or social well being of rural citizens through forest resources. Matching requirements limit federal contributions is 50/50.

UTILIZATION AND MARKETING: The program supports trained experts in forest products who provide assistance on forest products utilization and marketing to landowners, primary and secondary wood processors, and users.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Interested parties are encouraged to contact the regional office in Lakewood or local State Forest Service representative in your area.

HISTORICAL, ARTS AND CULTURE

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HISTORICAL, ARTS, & CULTURE

GRANTS TO ARTISTS AND ORGANIZATIONS

PURPOSE:

The program is to ensure access, participation and appreciation of the arts for all Coloradans. The Council has six main goals: (1) help communities create their own cultural programs; (2) recognize excellence of individuals, organizations, and communities; (3) encourage interest in Colorado's cultural heritage; (4) provide resources for arts in education; (5) provide funding that stimulates private giving to the arts; and (6) professional development for artists and arts organizations.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Colorado artists, organizations, agencies of the government, and community partners may receive grants to support activities addressing the Council's mission. Applicants must specifically address: artistic integrity or merit of proposed activities; immediate and longer-term community impact; and ability to implement their proposal.

RESTRICTIONS:

Proposals will be considered from Colorado artists, having been full-time residents for at least three years, organizations in existence in Colorado for at least three years, governments in Colorado, and partnerships of two or more such agencies.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Guidelines can be found at <http://www.coloarts.state.co.us/>. The process starts in mid-February.

PROPOSAL DEADLINES:

May 15, 2002 for projects taking place in calendar year 2003.

Examples of Recent Grants:

PROJECT/ENTITY:	AMOUNT:
Morrison Theatre Company - for improvisation workshops for teens	\$6,000
Brenda Daniher of La Junta - to sculpt a Sundial for the public library	\$2,000
Greeley Rodarte Dancers - to tour folklorico dance	\$4,600
Blue Sage Center for the Arts of Paonia - to co-produce concerts with KVNf radio	\$2,500
Art Student League of Denver - to start a ceramic program	\$9,400
City of Delta - for the annual Pow Wow	\$7,400
TOTAL:	\$24,500.00

High award \$35,800, low award \$2,000, typical award \$3,500.

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HISTORICAL, ARTS, & CULTURE
STATE HISTORICAL FUND

HISTORIC PRESERVATION - GENERAL GRANTS

PURPOSE:

The mission statement of this program is: "To foster heritage preservation through tangible and highly visible projects of direct and demonstrable public benefit. "Funds are obtained from tax revenue generated through legalized gambling activity in Central City, Black Hawk, and Cripple Creek, and are used for the historic preservation and restoration of historical structures sites and municipalities throughout the state.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

This program provides grants for preservation and restoration of historic resources, and for survey, planning, and education projects involving historic resources. Where the grantor's participation will be \$25,000 or less the applicant receives an expedited review. Request for more than \$25,000 go through a more extensive review process. Requests in excess of \$200,000 are rare.

RESTRICTIONS:

Grants are made only to public entities and non-profit organizations. Private individuals and for-profit businesses may participate by finding a public entity or non-profit organization willing to apply for and administer a grant on their behalf. A minimum cash match of 25 percent of the total project cost is required, although a request can be made to waive this requirement. Applicants must prove that their project will benefit the public, and their ability to leverage grant funds is critical.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The policies, procedures, and guidelines for submitting applications to the State Historical Fund are described in a handbook available from the State Historical Fund offices or their website at www.coloradohistory-oahp.org.

PROPOSAL DEADLINES:

April 1 and October 1

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Inventory and Planning for the Red Mountain Mining District between Silverton and Ouray	\$45,217
Prepare and conduct a Statewide Wood Deterioration Workshop	\$116,779
Exterior Restoration of the Windsor Town Hall	\$111,750
TOTAL:	\$273,746.00

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HISTORICAL, ARTS, & CULTURE STATE HISTORICAL FUND

HISTORIC PRESERVATION - EMERGENCY GRANTS

PURPOSE:

The mission statement of this program is: "To foster heritage preservation through tangible and highly visible projects of direct and demonstrable public benefit." Funds are obtained from legalized gambling activity in Central City, Black Hawk, and Cripple Creek, and are used for the historic preservation and restoration of historical sites and municipalities throughout the state.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The Emergency Grant program provides grants for designated historic properties in imminent danger of being lost, demolished, or seriously damaged, when such threat is sudden or unexpected.

RESTRICTIONS:

Grants are made only to public entities and non-profit organizations. Private individuals and for-profit businesses may participate by finding a public entity or non-profit organization willing to apply for and administer a grant on their behalf. Emergency grants are intended for immediate stabilization measures, and will rarely exceed \$10,000. A minimum cash match of 25 percent is recommended, but not required. Applicants must prove that their project will benefit the public, and their ability to leverage grant funds is critical.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The policies, procedures, and guidelines for submitting applications to the State Historical Fund are described in a special handbook. Before making application for an Emergency Grant, call the State Historical Fund to verify the emergency nature of your request.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

There are no deadlines for submitting Emergency Grant applications.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Emergency Stabilization of the Costilla County Courthouse	\$10,000
Emergency Stabilization of the Humphrey Memorial Park Croquet Court Wall	\$8,666
TOTAL:	\$18,666.00

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HISTORICAL, ARTS, & CULTURE STATE HISTORICAL FUND

HISTORIC STRUCTURE ASSESSMENT GRANTS

PURPOSE:

The mission statement of this program is: "To foster heritage preservation through tangible and highly visible projects of direct and demonstrable public benefit." Funds are obtained from legalized gambling activity in Central City, Black Hawk, and Cripple Creek, and are used for the historic preservation and restoration of historical sites and municipalities throughout the state.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

This program provides grants of \$10,000 or less for the purpose of hiring a licensed architect (or engineer working with an architect) to prepare a Historic Structures Assessment report of a historic structure in accordance with a mandatory SHF assessment outline.

RESTRICTIONS:

Grants are made only to public entities and non-profit organizations. Private individuals and for-profit businesses may participate by finding a public entity or non-profit organization willing to apply for and administer a grant on their behalf. Grants limited to \$10,000 or less per request. A cash match of 25 percent of the total project cost is recommended but not required. Applicants must prove that their project will benefit the public. Assessment must follow a mandatory outline and must be performed by an architect (or engineer working for an architect) with experience in historic preservation. Applicants must prove that their project will benefit the public, and their ability to leverage grant funds is critical.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The policies, procedures, and guidelines for submitting applications to the State Historical Fund are described in a handbook available from the State Funds offices or their website at www.coloradohistory-oahp.org.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

There are no deadlines for submitting Historic Structure Assessment Grant applications.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Historic Structure Assessment of the McKenna Building at CU Boulder	\$10,000
Historic Structure Assessment of Denver's Open Air/Greek Theater	\$9,800
Historic Structure Assessment of the Thomas Skeritt House in Englewood	\$9,965
TOTAL:	\$29,765.00

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HISTORICAL, ARTS, & CULTURE STATE HISTORICAL FUND

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ARCHAEOLOGY ASSESSMENT GRANTS

PURPOSE:

The mission statement of this program is: "To foster heritage preservation through tangible and highly visible projects of direct and demonstrable public benefit." Funds are obtained from legalized gambling activity in Central City, Black Hawk, and Cripple Creek, and are used for the historic preservation and restoration of historical sites and municipalities throughout the state.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

This program provides grants of \$10,000 or less for the collection and evaluation of archaeological information from a specific site or area for the purpose of creating a plan for preservation or additional work, not for research, preservation, or interpretation outside of preparing a plan.

RESTRICTIONS:

Grants are made only to public entities and non-profit organizations. Private individuals and for-profit businesses may participate by finding a public entity or non-profit organization willing to apply for and administer a grant on their behalf. Grants limited to \$10,000 or less per request. A cash match of 25 percent of the total project cost is recommended but not required. Applicants must prove that their project will benefit the public. Assessment must follow a mandatory outline and must be performed by an architect (or engineer working for an architect) with experience in historic preservation. Applicants must prove that their project will benefit the public, and their ability to leverage grant funds is critical.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The policies, procedures, and guidelines for submitting applications to the State Historical Fund are described in a handbook available from the State Funds offices or their website at www.coloradohistory-oahp.org.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

There are no deadlines for submitting Historic Structure Assessment Grant applications.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Archaeological Assessment of the Haymeadow/Legacy Ranch in Routt County	\$9,830
Archaeological Assessment of the Mill Creek Arrastra Site in Clear Creek County	\$8,528
Archaeological Assessment of the Meining Cabin in Berthoud	\$6,146
TOTAL:	\$24,504.00

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HISTORICAL, ARTS, & CULTURE

LEADERSHIP IN THE ARTS

PURPOSE:

The program is to support the visual, literary, design, and performing arts, to benefit all Americans. The program will foster the excellence, diversity, and vitality of the arts in the United States and to broaden public access to the arts.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funding opportunities for organizations are now available according to four themes: Heritage & Preservation; Education & Access; Creation & Presentation; Planning & Stabilization. The Endowment will consider applications for Partnership Agreements and Leadership Initiatives.

RESTRICTIONS:

All applications must be for specific projects. Applicants will be asked to apply one of the four themes that are most relevant, to the goals of their project. Applicants may be an art institutions, local arts agencies, arts service organizations, tribal communities and Indian tribes, official units of city government, and other non-profit, tax exempt organizations that can further the goals of the Arts Endowment.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Request for application guidelines booklet. Each organization may submit only one application for its own project under only one of the categories.

PROPOSAL DEADLINES:

Heritage & Preservation - **August**
Education and Access - **September**
Creation & Presentation - **April**
Planning and Stabilization - **May**

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

No grants have been awarded in these new categories to date. However, the NEA has previously supported schools, arts organizations, and units of local government for wide-ranging funding, in particular, categories such as Design Arts, Theatre, etc.

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HOUSING
COLORADO DIVISION OF HOUSING
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HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME)

PURPOSE:

The HOME Program is federally funded through a formula allocation to states, local governments, and consortia, which in turn may loan/grant the funds to nonprofit, private housing authorities, local governments, and private developers. In Colorado, the State, Adams, Arapahoe, and Jefferson Counties, Aurora, Boulder, Colorado Springs, Denver, Ft. Collins, Greeley, Lakewood, and the Pueblo Consortium receive funding.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

At least 15 percent of each entity's allocation must be awarded to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). A total of 10 percent may be used for administration. The funds may be used for housing activities that assist persons whose income is equal to or less than 80 percent of area median income. Eligible activities include: acquisition, homebuyer assistance, rehabilitation, reconstruction, new construction, and rental assistance. Also eligible are site preparation, demolition, relocation, and related project soft and hard costs.

RESTRICTIONS:

HOME funds require a 25 percent non-federal match. The state does not require each individual project to meet the match requirement.

Application Process:

Application forms should be requested from the Colorado Division of Housing or www.dola.state.co.us/Doh/GrantsLoans.htm. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis throughout the year. An application analysis is prepared by staff, forwarded to the State Housing Board for funding recommendation, and then given to the Executive Director of the Department of Local Affairs for final funding decision. Projects are reviewed for market and financial feasibility, management capacity, and project impact on need. For more information contact local housing Regional Managers in Denver (303) 866-2033, Pueblo (719) 544-2466, or Grand Junction (970) 249-7302.

Proposed Deadlines:

Applications are accepted on a continuous basis. Applications received before the 1st of each month generally receive a funding decision within 60 days.

Examples of Recent Grants:

Name	Description of Services	Amount
Wheat Ridge Housing Authority	Establish a Revolving Loan Fund for first time homebuyers	\$500,000
The Uptown Partnership	Purchase and rehabilitation of the Garfield Apartments, preserving 36 affordable apartments	\$162,500
Neighbor to Neighbor	Acquisition and rehabilitation of 12 affordable apartments in Fort Collins and Loveland	\$150,000
TOTAL:		\$812,500.00

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HOUSING DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (HDG)

PURPOSE:

The State Legislature allocates HDG funds to the Colorado Division of Housing annually. The annual appropriation for the past several years has been \$2,600,00. For fiscal year 2002, the State Legislature appropriated an additional \$1,970,000.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

HDG funds are made available to local governments and nonprofits for acquisition, new construction, or rehabilitation of housing for families and individuals whose income is equal to or less than 80 percent of area median income.

RESTRICTIONS:

A dollar-for-dollar match is required and may be private or local public funds. No administration funds are available. Successful applications generally have a match leverage of 7:1 of private or local public funds to state dollars.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Application forms should be requested from the Colorado Division of Housing or www.dola.state.co.us/Doh/GrantsLoans.htm. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis throughout the year. An application analysis is prepared by staff, forwarded to the State Housing Board for funding recommendation, and then given to the Director of the Division of Housing for final funding decision. Projects are reviewed for market and project feasibility, management capacity, and project impact on need. For more information contact local housing Regional Managers in Denver (303) 866-2033, Pueblo (719) 544-2466, or Grand Junction (970) 249-7302.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications are accepted on a continuous basis.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Name	Description of Services	Amount
City of Pueblo Housing Authority	Acquisition and rehabilitation of 30 affordable downtown units	\$300,000
Volunteers of America-Montrose	Construction of 40 apartments for seniors	\$400,000
City of Loveland-Housing Authority	Construction of 56 affordable rental units	\$500,000

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HOUSING COLORADO DIVISION OF HOUSING (CDOH)

HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

PURPOSE:

The Community Development Block Grant Program is federally funded through a formula allocation to states and units of general governments who in turn may loan/grant the funds to local governments. In Colorado, the State and 14 municipalities and counties (entitlement) receive funding directly from HUD. The State "Small Cities" CDBG funds are divided equally between public facilities, economic development, and housing activities. The Colorado Division of Housing accepts applications for housing projects.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

CDBG funds may be used for housing activities that assist persons whose income is equal to or less than 80 percent of area median income. Eligible activities include: acquisition, homebuyer assistance, rehabilitation, and in some instances, new construction. Also eligible are site preparation, demolition, infrastructure, relocation and related project soft and hard costs.

RESTRICTIONS:

State CDBG funds may only be used in entitlement areas (areas receiving their own CDBG funding) when it can be proved that the facility serves persons from outside of the entitlement area. Amount of funding from the State CDBG funds may only equal the same percentage as the persons served from outside of the entitlement area.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are accepted on a continuous basis throughout the year. An application analysis is prepared by staff, forwarded to the State Housing Board for funding recommendation, and then given to the Executive Director of the Department of Local Affairs for final funding decision. Projects are reviewed for market and financial feasibility, management capacity, and project impact on need. For more information contact local housing Regional Managers in Denver (303) 866-2033, Pueblo (719) 544-2466, or Grand Junction (970) 249-7302.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications are accepted on a continuous basis. Applications received before the 1st of each month generally receive a funding decision within 60 days.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project Description	Entity	Amount
Home buyer assistance for 90 households	Larimer County	\$465,000
Single Family Rehabilitation	Fremont County	\$340,349
Colorado Bluesky Enterprises, construction of 28 rental units for very low income families	Pueblo County	\$280,000
Down payment assistance for 48 home buyers	City of Sterling	\$114,310
Funding for a construction manager for the Self Help Program sponsored by Colorado Housing, Inc.	City of Cortez	\$40,000
TOTAL:		\$1,239,659.00

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COLORADO DIVISION OF HOUSING
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HOUSING REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

This program provides short term, one to three years, secured loans to assist housing authorities, public entities, and private nonprofits, with the development of housing for low and moderate-income persons.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Loans can be made for land or property acquisition, development fees, new construction or rehabilitation. Interest rates range from 1 percent to prime rate plus 2. There must be a guaranteed "take-out" in place.

RESTRICTIONS:

The maximum income of occupants can be no more than 100 percent of the location's area median income. The loan must be fully collateralized.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Application forms should be requested from the Colorado Division of Housing. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis throughout the year, analyzed by staff, and then forwarded to the State Housing Board for funding decision. Projects are reviewed for market and financial feasibility, management capacity, project impact on need, and ability to repay. For more information, contact your local housing Regional Managers in Denver (303) 866-2033, Pueblo (719) 544-2466, or Grand Junction (970) 249-7302.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications received before the 1st of each month generally receive a funding decision within 60 days.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT LOANS:

Project Description	Entity	Amount
Rental Construction Financing:		
Construction	Glelio Housing	\$625,000
Single Family Homeownership:		
Construction	Summit County Housing Authority	\$500,000
Financing	Estes Park Housing Authority	\$603,000
TOTAL:		\$1,103,000.00

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**HOUSING
DIVISION OF HOUSING****COLORADO HOUSING
PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND
PROGRAM (PAB)**

PURPOSE:

The program provides private industry tax exempt Private Activity Bonds (PAB's) to encourage private investment in creating and sustaining jobs, housing, and higher education. The PAB Program allocates bond issuance authority, not actual dollars. While local governments sponsor the bond issues, they are not liable in the event the project defaults.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

PAB's are issued for a variety of activities, including manufacturing (\$10 million maximum); qualified redevelopment projects; single family mortgage revenue bonds; qualified residential rental projects; multi-family housing projects; water, sewer, solid waste disposal, and hazardous waste facilities.

RESTRICTIONS:

The Department recommends any project developer considering use of PAB's to seek the advice of bond counsel at the outset of the project to (1) determine eligibility under federal definitions for PAB's and (2) assess whether project financing could be structured in such a way as to avoid the necessity of a PAB allocation. PAB Program priorities for 2001 include the following: (1) projects that demonstrate community support; (2) evidence of ability to issue PAB's by September 15; (3) demonstrated impact of the PAB-financed development on local demographic need indicators, e.g., high unemployment, low housing vacancy rates, etc.; and (4) project size ranges from \$3 million to \$12 million.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Direct PAB Allocations are available for local governments with populations exceeding 27,000. The Direct Allocations are available each year until September 15, at which time any unused Direct Allocations are relinquished to the Statewide Balance. Each application to the Statewide Balance must have an inducement resolution attached from the applying local government. Local allocations are available from qualified local governments. The application period for Direct Allocation is January 1 to September 15. The first application deadline for the Statewide Balance is around January 20. The second application deadline is August 30 subject to the availability of allocating authority. Deadlines are tentative; contact Jennie Rodgers for more information.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

The first application deadline for the Statewide Balance is around January 20. The second application deadline is August 30 subject to the availability of allocating authority.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT AWARDS:

Entity	Description of Services	Amount
Metro Mayors Caucus	Single family mortgage	\$5,000,000
The Village at Avon	Rental housing	\$11,000,000
Waterford Place Apartments	Rental housing	\$4,150,000
Eagle County	Mortgage Credit Certificates	\$5,000,000
TOTAL:		\$25,150,000.00

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EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS (ESG)

PURPOSE:

The Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) Program is federally funded through a formula allocation to states and local governments who in turn grant the funds to nonprofit and local governments through a competitive application process for emergency shelter activities. In Colorado only the State, Colorado Springs, and Denver receive ESG funding.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The funds can be used for rehabilitation of emergency shelters, shelter operating costs, essential services, and homeless prevention activities, including financial assistance to families having received eviction notices or notices of termination of utility services. Essential services include job skills training, health care, substance abuse treatment, and education. Prevention activities include short term rent subsidies, utility payments, security deposits, landlord/tenant mediation, and mortgage payments to prevent foreclosures.

RESTRICTIONS:

Local government and nonprofits applying must provide a dollar-for-dollar match. The match may include any donated material or building, lease, staff salaries, or volunteer services. When a grant is made for only shelter operations and essential services, the building must be used as a shelter as long as federal assistance is received. If the shelter location were changed, the new site would need to serve essentially the same population.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The Colorado Division of Housing publishes a Notification of Funding Availability (NOFA) in late February, depending on availability of increased funding over prior years. Funding priorities are those agencies currently receiving ESG funds or those areas with no current service providers. Applications are due in April. For more information, contact your local housing Regional Managers in Denver (303) 866-2033, Pueblo (719) 544-2466, or Grand Junction (970) 249-7302.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications kits mailed out in February, applications due in April for 12 months of funding beginning July 1.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Name	Description of Services	Amount
Hilltop Community Resources	Essential Services and Operations	\$21,938
Family Crisis Services, Fremont/Custer Counties	Essential Services, Homeless Prevention Operations	\$12,059
Southwest Community Resources, Archuleta/Dolores/La Plata/San Juan Counties	Essential Services, Homeless Prevention	\$13,624
Women's Crisis Center, Elbert/Douglas Counties	Essential Services, Operations	\$21,439
Arkansas Valley Resource Center, Bent/Crowley/ Otero Counties	Essential Services, Operations	\$13,701
TOTAL:		\$82,761.00

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CHFA - RENTAL FINANCE PROGRAMS

PURPOSE:

Not a state agency, CHFA was established by the Colorado General Assembly in 1973 to provide housing financing for low and moderate income households in Colorado and to offer a variety of rental programs and opportunities. Programs and summaries are listed below. **(CHFA is not a state agency, but a political subdivision of the state with the authority to issue bonds.)**

CHFA - NONPROFIT 501(C)(3) BOND PROGRAM: Construction and permanent loans available to 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporations and public housing authorities through the issuance of tax-exempt bonds. May be for acquisition and rehabilitation, new construction or refinancing of low and moderate income and special needs housing. Minimum of 25 percent of the units must be affordable to families or elderly with incomes less than 50 percent of the area median or 45 percent of the units must be occupied by persons with incomes less than 60 percent of the area median.

PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND PROGRAM: Tax-exempt bond financing for the construction or acquisition and rehabilitation of low and mixed-income, multi-family, rental housing; CHFA acts as issuer of the bonds and as mortgagee, providing credit enhancement through the FHA Risk Sharing Program. Financing may be combined with low income tax credits outside the competitive process described next. Same income and rent restrictions as non-profit bond program.

LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDITS: The LIHTC program provides equity for the development of low-income housing through new construction or acquisition and/or rehabilitation. Credits are available in a non-competitive process for developments that are financed with private activity bonds (PABs). Credits are also available in a competitive process for developments that are not financed with private activity bonds. The application and award process for both competitive and non-competitive credits is governed by the LIHTC allocation Plan (the "plan"). The Plan is available on CHFA's website (<http://www.colohfa.org/>) under "Rental Finance".

CHFA - SMART PROGRAM (SMALL AFFORDABLE RENTAL TRANSACTIONS): Permanent financing, long term, and fixed rate for projects of \$2,000,000 or less. Borrowers may be for-profit or non-profit; minimum 20 percent low income; for new construction or acquisition with rehabilitation. Streamlined process and loan documents.

TAXABLE LOAN PROGRAM: Construction and permanent financing for new construction or substandard rehabilitation projects also assisted with Low Income Housing Tax Credits.

CHFA - HOUSING FUND: Short term (maximum 2 years) interim loans for nonprofit or public housing authority borrowers for pre-development costs, acquisition, or construction of low-income housing. Permanent financing must be committed.

CHFA - HOUSING OPPORTUNITY FUND: First mortgage or subordinate loans at very low interest rates to leverage other funding for nonprofit and public agency borrowers for the purpose of creating housing for very low income and special needs' households; limited funding available.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT LOANS:

Project Description:	Source:	Amounts:
Belle Creek	Private Activity Bonds	\$10,085,700
Longs Peak	Risk Share/Private Activity Bonds	\$1,621,000
Clifton Village	Risk Share/Private Activity Bonds	\$4,200,000

Columbine of Allison	SMART	\$1,265,000
Country Roads	HOF	\$133,250
TOTAL:		\$17,304,950.00

COLORADO HOUSING AND FINANCE AUTHORITY

HOUSING

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CHFA - HOME OWNERSHIP PROGRAMS

PURPOSE:

Not a state agency, Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHFA), was established by the Colorado General Assembly in 1973 to provide housing financing for low and moderate income households in Colorado and to offer a variety of "home ownership" programs and opportunities. **Listed below are the programs and brief summaries.**

HOMESTART PROGRAM: A first mortgage financing program for eligible Colorado homebuyers; a below market interest rate loan and/or cash assistance to help pay loan expenses. Transaction must meet CHFA income and purchase price limits.

HOMESTART PLUS PROGRAM: A first mortgage financing program for eligible Colorado homebuyers; a market interest rate loan and cash assistance to help with down payment and closing costs. Income limits are higher than HomeStart, but no purchase price limits.

HOMEACCESS AND HOMEACCESS PLUS: A low interest first mortgage program, with an optional second mortgage to assist very low-income disabled buyers purchase a home. Section 8 recipients may be able to use this assistance towards purchasing a home.

FORWARD COMMITMENT PROGRAM: A first mortgage program for clients of participating non-profits and housing authorities. This low-interest mortgage can be combined with down payment assistance from the non-profit or housing authority.

MCC PROGRAM: Offers eligible Colorado homebuyers the ability to save money on federal income taxes and use that savings to help pay monthly mortgage payments. Information and lists of participating jurisdictions can be obtained from CHFA.

DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: Second mortgage loans to assist homebuyers with meeting the up-front costs of home ownership. Funds are administered by the Colorado Housing Assistance Corp. (CHAC), and can be used for the down payment, closing costs, and prepaid finance charges. For more information, call CHAC at (303) 572-9445.

HOUSING OPPORTUNITY FUND: Flexible financing for eligible non-profit organization and housing authorities to lend to their clients under the housing programs they administer. Borrowers must be very low income and the loans must be secured by real estate.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: CHFA Home Ownership staff provides technical assistance to eligible sponsors in designing affordable housing programs and to lenders wishing to participate in CHFA's lending programs.

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HOUSING

RURAL DEVELOPMENT - HOUSING PROGRAMS

PURPOSE:

To provide safe, decent living quarters for rural Americans of very low, low, and moderate income. Programs available:

SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING:

Home ownership loans (Direct and Guaranteed); home improvement and repair loans and grants; mutual self-help housing grants to sponsors; and Special housing initiatives.

MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING:

Rural rental housing loans; guaranteed rental housing loans; farm labor housing loans and grants; and Housing preservation grants.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Single Family Housing: 502 Direct Housing Loans at 100 percent LTV for very low and low-income individuals and families in need of housing. The Guaranteed Rural Housing program offers 100 percent loan to value loans to low and moderate-income families in rural areas of Colorado. Applicants must have good credit history, unable to obtain financing from private conventional lenders, and meet additional qualifications for loan eligibility. 504 Loans and Grants are available to very low-income homeowners for repair of safety and health hazards to their homes.

Multi-Family Housing: Family housing loans at 95 percent Loan-to-Value (LTV) for very low and low-income individuals and families in need of housing.

RESTRICTIONS:

Single Family Housing: Finance new or improved housing for very low-to-moderate income families of rural communities. Colorado has established maximum mortgage limits for each county in the 502 Direct Loan Program. Colorado's average 502 Direct Loan is \$83,000. Colorado's average 502 Guaranteed Loan is \$93,000.

Multi-Family Housing: Rural rental housing loans available in designated areas, which are published annually. Eligibility for guaranteed rental loans is determined by designation that is done annually. There is a \$2.5 million limit on Farm Labor Housing Loans and on 515 New Construction Loans.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Single Family Housing: 502 Direct Applicants are handled through the USDA field offices. The lender handles guaranteed customers. The Guaranteed Rural Housing Program does not have mortgage limits. The purchase price is limited by the debt ratios of 29 percent PITI, and 41 percent Total Debt. Staff will provide application materials, current program information and assist in the preparation of an application.

Multi-Family Housing: Program applications are handled through the USDA State Office in Lakewood.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing and published in the Federal Register. Fiscal year begins October 1st and ends September 30th of each year.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT LOANS:

Single Family Housing:

- \$19,000,000 in 502 Direct Single Family Loans to 229 new homeowners in rural Colorado communities.
- \$34,000,000 in Guaranteed Rural Housing loans to 363 new homeowners in rural Colorado communities.

Multi-Family Housing:

Borrower	RD Funding Portion	Total Amount
Catholic Community Charities Farm Labor Housing Complex	514/516-Loan \$1,262,888; Grant \$1,237,112	\$4,137,951
San Luis Valley Farmworks Housing of Center Complex	514/516-Loan \$725,118 ; Grant \$1,774,882	\$2,525,556
Casita De La Luna Complex in Alamosa	515-Loan of \$1,000,000	\$2,337,630
TOTAL:		\$9,001,137.00

HUMAN SERVICES

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HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF FIELD SERVICES

COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)

PURPOSE:

To provide funding for a range of services and activities having a measurable and potentially major impact on causes of poverty in the community or those areas of the community where poverty is a particularly acute problem.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The areas of funding include: employment, education, income management, housing, emergency services, nutrition, linkages with other agencies, self-sufficiency, health, and other. These services are provided to eligible individuals, families and communities by contractors receiving CSBG funds.

RESTRICTIONS:

There are a fixed number of 42 grantees accepted each year. Ninety percent of the funds are allocated by formula to the 42 grantees. Five percent of the funds are used for administration and another five percent for the Governor's discretion. Service recipients must be at or below 125 percent of the poverty level.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications accepted only from 42 eligible entities. All funds by law are allocated, by formula, to eligible entities including county, community action agencies and political subdivisions.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

The federal CSBG funding cycle is October to September. The life of the money is two years.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Grantees are comprised of counties and/or consortiums of counties, e.g., Denver gets the largest grant of \$790,213, while the smallest is Hinsdale County at \$893. A consortium example is Upper Arkansas Area Council of Governments at \$103,240.

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HUMAN SERVICES
COLORADO RURAL WORKFORCE
CONSORTIUM

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA)

WIA Adult and Dislocated Worker

PURPOSE:

To provide workforce investment activities that increase the employment, retention and earnings of participants, and increase occupational skill attainment by participants, which will improve the quality of the workplace, reduce welfare dependency, and enhance the productivity and competitiveness of the nation's and local economies. The Colorado Rural Workforce Consortium includes 52 rural counties in Colorado, which are divided into 11 subregions. Services are provided through a network of one-stop career centers.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Services are provided through a progression of core, intensive and training services. Assessment of readiness for employment in the areas of basic skills, job skills, career aptitudes, interests, work values, job keeping skills, personal and family situations, and ability to seek and keep a job. Individual counseling and employability planning based on labor market needs, personal assessments, and availability of training. The program helps to provide referrals to and payment for training in the areas of basic academic skills, occupational skills, work maturity, and pre-employment skills. There is also counseling and case management with other partner agencies during training. The program provides support services during and after training. Job placement and counseling with participants who have started working. Follow-up services for participants after completion of the program.

RESTRICTIONS:

Adults must be 18 years of age or older and local regions may establish priority of service for special populations, which includes public assistance recipients and low-income individuals. For dislocated workers, eligibility requirements include workers who have received a notice of layoff from an employer covered by unemployment insurance and are unlikely to return to that industry or occupation. Workers are also eligible if the employer closes, or has a mass layoff. Self-employed are eligible if the business fails. Displaced homemakers are also an eligible population.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Request for proposals. Current providers are operating under an RFP that expires on June 2005. The Rural Consortium does not anticipate issuing any RFPs until then.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Funding cycle is on a program year basis that runs from July 1 through June 30.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Rocky Mountain SER, The Training Advantage, Hilltop Community Resources, Upper Arkansas Area Council of Government, Montrose County received grants to deliver adult and dislocated worker programs.

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HUMAN SERVICES
COLORADO WORKFORCE CONSORTIUM

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA)

WIA Youth

PURPOSE:

To promote school retention, increase academic, work maturity, and job-specific skills of eligible in-school youth. Arrange for alternative courses of study for youth who have dropped out of school or who have been expelled from school. Provide job training and assistance with finding employment for older youth. The Colorado Rural Workforce Consortium includes 52 rural counties in Colorado, which are divided into 11 subregions. Services are provided through a network of one-stop centers

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The program provides assessment of ability to successfully complete school and become job ready. Individual counseling and case management with schools, law enforcement, social services, and youth serving agencies to promote school completion and successful transition into work. Provision of and arrangement with secondary and alternative schools, and community colleges for training in the areas of GED, basic academic, occupational, work maturity, and pre-employment skills. Other services include supportive services, leadership training, mentoring, tutoring, and summer employment opportunities. Arrange for paid work experience during the summer or while attending other forms of academic or job training. Job placement and counseling with youth who have started working. Follow-up services for twelve months after completion of program.

RESTRICTIONS:

Youth must be ages 14 through 21 and a member of a low-income family that is below the Office of Management and Budget's poverty income level or lower living standard income level. In addition, youth must be within one of the following categories: basic skills deficient, school dropout, homeless, foster child, or runaway, pregnant or parenting teen, offender or disabled youth.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Request for proposal. Current providers are operating under an RFP that expires on June 30, 2005. The Colorado Rural Consortium does not anticipate issuing any RFPs until then.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Funding cycle is on a program year basis that runs from July 1 through June 30.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Rocky Mountain SER, The Training Advantage, Hilltop Community Resources, Upper Arkansas Area Council of Government, Montrose County and South Central BOCES received grants to deliver youth programs.

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HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF PREVENTION &
INTERVENTION SERVICES FOR
CHILDREN & YOUTH

TONY GRAMPSAS YOUTH SERVICES (TGYS) GRANT PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

To provide state funding for community-based programs that target youth and their families for prevention and intervention services in an effort to reduce incidents of youth crime and violence. TGYS also promotes prevention and education programs that are designed to reduce child abuse and neglect.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

TGYS Board priorities include applicants serving children and youth in a new geographic areas, demonstrating strong local collaboration and local match, and are evidence based. Examples of previously funded programs are mentoring, parenting, recreation, teen court, substance abuse prevention, gang intervention, employment opportunities, education, and youth and family centers.

RESTRICTIONS:

Eligible applicants must be private non-profit or not-for-profit community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, local governments including public health, human service, and law-enforcement agencies; local public or private schools, school districts or group of school districts; Board of Colorado Education Services; institutions of higher education; Colorado National Guard; state agency, or state operated program (stage agencies must demonstrate 100 percent pass through of funds to local programs) may apply. Applicants must be community-based working in coordination with schools, community mental health centers, local non-profit or not-for-profit agencies, local law enforcement, businesses, local health and/or human service agencies, and individuals within their community.

The grant can only be used for implementing prevention and intervention services, and can be used to implement new projects or to enhance/expand current ones. The grant cannot be used for planning activities such as research or pilot studies or used to supplant or replace existing program revenues. Applicants must have an evaluation plan and must measure change among those served.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are accepted no more than once every two years pending additional state appropriations. Applications are received by the Department of Public Health and Environment and are initially reviewed by staff team. The Governor and the Tony Grampsas Board make the final funding decisions. If funding is available, applications will receive again in 2004.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Varies. Contact the program office for application packet and deadlines.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity	Amount
Adams County School District 14	\$36,132
Straight Ahead Ministries	\$36,975
Partners in Huerfano County	\$44,370
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado	\$172,741
San Luis Valley Mental Health Center	\$64,00
TOTAL:	\$290,282.00
For FY02-03, TGYS only received \$1.2 million appropriation for mentoring programs only	

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HUMAN SERVICES

COLORADO RURAL HEALTH SEED GRANTS

PURPOSE:

Beginning in January of 1996, the Center began setting aside 5 percent of its total revenues annually toward the Colorado Rural Health Seed Grant program. The Center's mission is: **“enhancing healthcare services in Colorado by providing information, education, linkages, tools and energy towards addressing rural healthcare issues.”**

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The Colorado Rural Health Center has seed money available for purposes or projects that match their mission. As you can imagine, there is a great deal of flexibility within this criterion. You can call Megan Close or the Center's Director, Denise Denton, to ask if an idea meets the general intent of this program before filling out the application form

RESTRICTIONS:

The applicant must be a member of the Colorado Rural Health Center. Membership is open to anyone, with membership being \$160 annually. **The applicant must be rural.** A rural area is defined as not part of a metropolitan area (such as Boulder, Denver, Colorado Springs, Grand Junction, Pueblo, etc. AND having a population of fewer than 25,000.) **A member can only receive one grant per calendar year.**

The funds are intended as **“seed”** money and should be only a portion of a larger project or idea. The applicant must at least “match” the amount requested and provide the total estimated cost of the project so Board Members can consider the proportion of the costs they are being asked to provide. (i.e., the seed money pays a workshop registration fee and the agency covers travel costs; the seed money pays for a FAX machine and the agency covers the phone lines costs; seed money buys a single piece of equipment for a new clinic or ambulance.)

APPLICATION PROCESS:

A **one-page application form** is available from the Center. The form can be submitted to the Center at any time. The maximum amount for an award is \$500. Smaller requests are encouraged. The Center's Director will review applications for general appropriateness and make recommendations to the Board of Directors. Awards will be considered and granted by the Board on a monthly basis.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Monthly.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity:	Amount
Surface Creek Family Practice, for the purchase of new medical equipment	\$500
Grand County Rural Health Network, for the purchase of computer software	\$485
TOTAL:	\$985.00

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HUMAN SERVICES

COLORADO AMERICORPS

PURPOSE:

The program is to promote the ethic of service and volunteerism across Colorado. The Governor's Commission on National and Community Service receives and distributes several pools of funds created by the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993, administered by the Corporation for National Service, a federal agency. The funding streams include: AmeriCorps, and Learn and Serve America.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The funds from AmeriCorps, support programs that focus on public safety, environment, human needs, education, children and youth, and homeland security. The Learn and Serve America program funds community based service-learning programs.

RESTRICTIONS:

Applicants are restricted to local governments, school districts, state agencies, state operated programs, or any private nonprofit or not-for-profit community-based organization. All funding requires local matching funds.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Contact the AmeriCorps Program Officer.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Determined annually in accordance with federal guidelines.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Colorado Parent and Child Foundation	\$372,000
Adams County School District 14	\$223,459
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps	\$229,400
TOTAL:	\$824,859.00

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HUMAN SERVICES THE BUSINESS OF GOVERNMENT RESEARCH AND THOUGHT LEADERSHIP FORUMS GRANTS

PURPOSE:

Through grants for Research and Thought Leadership Forums, The PricewaterhouseCoopers Endowment for The Business of Government stimulates research and facilitates discussion on new approaches to improving the effectiveness of government at the federal, state local and international levels. The Endowment is one of the ways that PricewaterhouseCoopers seeks to advance knowledge on how to improve public sector effectiveness. The PricewaterhouseCoopers Endowment focuses on the future of the operation and management of the public sector.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Leveraging Technology
Redefining Public Service for the 21st Century
Managing for Results: The "Nuts and Bolts" of Government
Transforming Public Sector Organizations
Leveraging the Private Sector

RESTRICTIONS:

RESEARCH - Individuals receiving grants will be responsible for producing a 30-40 page research report in one of the areas listed above. The paper will be published and disseminated by The PricewaterhouseCoopers Endowment. The research paper will be completed no later than six months after the award of the grant. Grantee selects the start and end dates of their research project.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP FORUMS - Organizations receiving grants will be responsible for designing, implementing, and hosting a two – to – three day forum bringing together 25-30 participants in an appropriate setting for an executive conference. The forum should address one of the topic areas listed above. The Endowment will publish the conference proceedings.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

RESEARCH - Interested individuals should submit:

A three-page description of the proposed research

A résumé, including list of publications

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP FORUMS - Interested organizations should submit:

A three-page description of the proposed forum, describing the topic to be addressed

A list of potential forum participants

A one-page description of the sponsoring organization

A budget describing total forum costs, including the portion to be contributed by the sponsoring organization

A brief description of the executive conference center

Based on a review of the written proposal, applicants may be requested to meet with the section panel.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

RESEARCH & THOUGHT LEADERSHIP FORUMS

There are three funding cycles, with deadlines of:

October 31

February 28

June 29

THE COLORADO TRUST

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HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC SAFETY

SAFE COMMUNITIES-SAFE SCHOOLS INITIATIVE

Note: To be notified of new funding opportunities as they become available from The Colorado Trust, please contact our receptionist and ask to be placed on The Colorado Trust mailing list: 303- 837-1200 or toll-free 888-847-9140, or e-mail receptionist@coloradotrust.org

PURPOSE:

The two main goals of The Colorado Trust are: accessible and affordable health care programs and the strengthening of families. Underlying these goals is The Trust's commitment to "human development," a concept that combines concern for access to income and employment opportunities, education and health services, basic social services, and a clean and safe physical environment for the citizens of Colorado.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

In 1999, The Colorado Trust committed \$1 million over three years to support this initiative. It is designed to foster healthy school climates that provide safe and welcoming environments in which teachers can teach and students can learn. Rather than making direct grants, the initiative will provide information, materials, practical planning tools and limited technical assistance for safe school planning to any interested school or school district. A network among schools will also be implemented.

RESTRICTIONS:

This initiative runs from 1999 to 2002. Direct grants are not being made. Rather, schools and/or school districts may request information, materials, practical planning tools and limited technical assistance for safe school planning at any time during the initiative.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

To receive more information about this project, contact: Jane Grady, assistant director, Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence, University of Colorado at Boulder, 303- 492-1032.

PROPOSED DEADLINE:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

None.

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HUMAN SERVICES COMMUNITY GRANT

SUPPORTING IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE FAMILIES INITIATIVE

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PURPOSE:

The Colorado Trust's Supporting Immigrant and Refugee Families Initiative is a \$7 million, five-year effort to enhance the mental health and cultural adjustment of immigrants and refugees across the state. The Spring Institute for International Studies serves as the coordinating agency for the initiative.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Proposals are being accepted from qualified organizations to implement new, existing or expended mental health and cultural adjustment programs for immigrants and refugees over a three-year grant period.

RESTRICTIONS:

Up to 15 grants will be awarded to organizations across the state of Colorado with significant experience working with immigrants and/or refugee populations. Grants will range in size from \$30,000 to \$75,000 per year for three years.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

All applicants are advised that this is a highly competitive process. To receive a copy of the Request for Proposals: Print the RFP directly from our website at www.coloradotrust.org (select the "Funding" button, then click on "Supporting Immigrant and Refugee Families Initiative") or call The Colorado Trust's receptionist at (303) 837-1200 or toll free (888) 847-9140.

PROCESSED DEADLINES:

12:00 noon on Friday, November 8

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

None at this time.

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HUMAN SERVICES
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

Technology Opportunities Program (TOP) promotes the widespread availability and use of digital network technologies in the public and non-profit sectors. To accomplish this objective, TOP projects address specific challenges and realize opportunities in such areas as lifelong learning, community and economic development, government and public services, safety, health, and culture and the arts. The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) issues this notice describing the conditions under which applications will be received under TOP and how NTIA will determine which applications it will fund.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

TOP provides matching grants to state, local and tribal governments and non-profit entities for model projects that demonstrate innovative uses of digital network technologies in underserved communities.

RESTRICTIONS:

An applicant may request up to a total of \$900,000 in funds from NTIA. TOP expects the federal amounts awarded to range from \$200,000 to \$900,000, with an average of approximately \$500,000.

PROCESSED DEADLINES:

March 21, 2002.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

None at this time.

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
PLANNING
RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE (FORMERLY
REA)**

DISTANCE LEARNING AND MEDICAL LINK GRANT PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the program is to encourage, improve, and use computer networks, telecommunications, and related technology for rural communities to improve access to education and medical health care for people in rural areas.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Applicants need to show proposed projects can establish effective distance learning or medical link systems at a sustainable cost. Medical link approaches include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) management and transport of patient data, (2) clinical interactive video consultation, (3) distance training of rural health care providers, and (4) linking to medical expertise or library resources. Distance learning approaches include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) interactive video: full motion/ "passable" quality motion/ PC-based desktop video/non-motion "freeze frame" video, and (2) situations: linking schools from one rural area to another and linking rural schools to institutions located in metropolitan or more populated centers.

RESTRICTIONS:

A detailed telecommunications plan must be included with each application. Applicants must make the effort to work with the local telephone exchange carrier to provide the transmission facilities for the project whenever practical and feasible. Grants may not be used for the following: medical equipment, except for encoding and decoding data; salaries, wages, and benefits to medical and educational personnel; salaries and administrative expenses of the applicant; and the purchase of equipment that will be owned by the telephone carrier or other telecommunications provider.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Eligible applicants are incorporated organizations that operate educational or medical facilities in rural areas and consortiums or partnerships of organizations that provide rural education or health care services. Interested applicants must submit a complete application packet. The packet may be obtained through the grant contact listed above. The maximum loan request is \$6,000,000, the maximum grant request is \$350,000 per project and the minimum is \$50,000 - maximum \$500,000. Applications are to be accepted November 2001 - March 2002, subject to funding availability and program changes.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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HUMAN SERVICES
HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION

RURAL TELEMEDICINE GRANT PROGRAM

*Office for the Advancement of Tele-
Health*

PURPOSE:

The goal of the program is to improve access to quality health services for rural residents and reduce the isolation of rural practitioners through the use of telemedicine technologies. The two objectives of the Rural Telemedicine Grant Program are: (1) to demonstrate how telemedicine can be used as a tool in developing integrated systems of health care, thereby improving access to health services for rural individuals across the lifespan and reducing the isolation of rural health care practitioners; and (2) to evaluate the feasibility, costs, appropriateness, and acceptability of rural telemedicine services and technologies. Such evaluation is needed to determine how best to organize and provide telemedicine services in a sustainable manner.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Grant funds may be used to support the operating costs of a telemedicine system, including compensation payments for consulting practitioners and referring practitioners. Grant funding must be used for services provided to or in rural communities. More detailed areas of interest are noted in the application kit.

RESTRICTIONS:

A grant award will be made either (1) to an entity that is a health care provider and is a member of an existing or proposed telemedicine network, or (2) to an entity that is a consortium of health care providers that are members of an existing or proposed telemedicine network. The applicant must be a legal entity capable of receiving federal grant funds. The grant recipient must be a public (non-federal) or private nonprofit entity, located in either a rural or urban area. Other telemedicine network members may be public or private, nonprofit or for-profit. Health facilities operated by a Federal agency may be members of the network but not the applicant.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Call (877) 477-2123 to have your name placed on the mailing list for an application kit. Applications will be available in December 2002.

OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARKS, OUTDOOR RECREATION & ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION FACILITIES

PURPOSE:

The Program awards grants and mini-grants to local governments to acquire, establish, expand, and enhance park and outdoor recreation and environmental education facilities.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Basic outdoor recreational facilities such as construction of playgrounds, sports fields, and other fixed assets that will improve an outdoor recreation or environmental education facility.

RESTRICTIONS:

1. Limited to municipalities, counties, park and recreation special districts.
2. Maximum award: up to \$150,000; \$15,000 maximum for mini-grants with a total project cost of \$30,000 or less.
3. Match: 30 percent of the total project cost must be from sources other than GOCO of which, 10 percent of the total project cost must be cash, the remainder may be additional cash or in-kind materials, services and/or labor.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Information about the application process should be obtained from Wally Piccone, Senior Program Manager for the Local Government Grant Program.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Contact GOCO for deadlines

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Local Government Grants:	
City of Brighton - Old Stone House Environmental Education Center Construction	\$75,000
City of Lamar, Lamar Swimming Pool Complex	\$175,000
Mini-Grants:	
Town of Silver Plume, Mountain Park Project	\$7,000
City of Ouray, Box Canon Nature Center	\$6,900
TOTAL:	\$13,900.00

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

PLANNING & CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS

PURPOSE:

To provide support for planning efforts for future projects that further the mission of preservation, protection, enhancement, and/or management of the state's wildlife, park, river, trail and/or open space heritage. To provide seed money to assist in the developing organizations, such as land trusts, that further the preservation, enhancement, protection, and/or management of the state's wildlife, park, river, trail and/or open space heritage.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Planning projects are encouraged that are strategic in nature, represent a new level of planning activity, and lead to the development of tangible projects. Capacity building projects are either the organizational development or new project development phase.

RESTRICTIONS:

1. Limited to local governments, park and recreation districts, or nonprofit land conservation organizations, the Colorado Division of Wildlife, and the Colorado Division of Parks and Recreation.
2. Suggested maximum award for planning projects: \$75,000. Projects ranging from \$10,000 to \$50,000 are more likely to be funded. Suggested maximum award for capacity building projects: \$50,000. Projects ranging from \$10,000 to \$35,000 are more likely to be funded.
3. Match: Both types of projects require a minimum match that equals 25 percent of the total project cost. A minimum of 10 percent of the total cost must be cash.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

General information about the application process can be obtained from Great Outdoors Colorado. If you have specific questions contact Debbie Pentz, Program Manager.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Contact GOCO for deadlines.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project:	Amount:
Mountain Area Land Trust Capacity Building grant	\$35,000
City of Pueblo Planning Grant to protect the Arkansas River and Fountain Creek	\$40,000
San Miguel County Biological Survey	\$75,000
TOTAL:	\$150,000.00

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

OPEN SPACE GRANTS

PURPOSE:

To assist with the acquisition of fee title or conservation easements on unique open space and natural areas of statewide significance, which will encourage cooperative investments by other public or private entities for these purposes.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Buffers in holdings, natural areas and non-game wildlife habitat, agricultural land, greenway stream corridors, community separators, urban open space opportunities.

RESTRICTIONS:

Funding is limited to local governments, park and recreation districts, or nonprofit land conservation organizations, the Colorado Division of Wildlife, and the Division of Parks and Recreation.

Maximum Awards: There is no suggested minimum or maximum grant range.

Match: Projects must have 25 percent of the overall project cost come from sources other than GOCO. At least 12.5 percent of the total project cost should be a cash contribution.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

For general information about the application process contact Great Outdoors Colorado. If you have specific questions contact Debbie Pentz, Program Manager.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Contact GOCO for deadlines.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity:	Amount:
City of Colorado Springs - Myron Stratton Acquisition	\$502,000
Crested Butte Land Trust - Lower Loop Parcel	\$350,000
Centennial Land Trust - Joe Rocchio Conservation Easement	\$300,000
TOTAL:	\$1,152,000.00

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

FISHING IS FUN IN COLORADO (FIF)

PURPOSE:

To provide federal matching funds to communities for development of aquatic resources.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Four areas of interest: (1) Fisherman/Motorboat Access, including boat ramps, docking piers, restrooms, and access roads; (2) Angler Access, including all projects developing access to streams and lakes previously closed to the public or locally owned but undeveloped; (3) Habitat and Site Development; (4) Fishing Site Improvements, including angler trails, fishing piers, and parking lots.

RESTRICTIONS:

Eligible applicants: Local governments, educational institutions, conservation groups, and other nonprofit organizations. Handicapped accessibility probably required (condition of federal money). Projects ranked-based on how they help DOW achieve long range goals of increased recreation, access, and more habitat improvement funding percentage is dependent on this. Funding not provided for research, planning, and overhead.

Award: Qualified projects are eligible for up to 75 percent of project costs.

Match: Applicants cannot use federal money as match funds. In-kind matching funds are acceptable.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The first step is prior planning with local District Wildlife Manager. Offices are located in Montrose, Denver, Colorado Springs, Fort Collins, and Grand Junction.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

FIF applications are usually available by September; application deadline typically in March; awards within 12 months; and usually a 12-24 month completion time frame.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Fortune Reservoir	\$261,450
Thornton Gravel Lakes	\$300,000
Redstone Pond	\$20,000
Jayhawker Ponds	\$50,000
Greeley Fishing Docks	\$25,000
Downy Lake	\$25,000
TOTAL:	\$681,450.00

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

FRONT RANGE TRAIL GRANTS

PURPOSE:

The program provides funding for design, construction, reconstruction, and significant improvements to recreational trails, and trailhead facilities for all user types in the Front Range Trail corridor. Funds from GOCO, Colorado State Parks, and federal sources assist with recreational trails development for all types of trails from urban greenways, backcountry and motorized.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Eligible projects include: planning, design, and construction of or enhancements to existing trails or new trails, which will be designated as part of the Front Range Trail System. The Front Range Trail Corridor Plan and maps are available at the State Trails Program website, http://www.parks.state.co.us/trails_program/frontrange.asp?page=frontrange.

RESTRICTIONS:

Eligible applicants are local, state, and federal governments; school district; special districts with recreational responsibilities; and non-profit organizations. Grants require 50 percent match by sponsor, either in cash or documented contributions. If the request is under \$15,000 applicants should apply for Small Project Grants.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications may be obtained from State Trails Program website at http://www.parks.state.co.us/trails_program/grants.asp?page=grants or by email. Submit application to Colorado State Parks, Trails Program. For more information call (303) 866-3203, Ext. 306. Staff can review the project scope to determine if it fits well with funding goals and clarify what is required in the application. State Parks and GOCO staff and the state Trails Committee review grants during January and February.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications must be postmarked by November 29, 2002, and mailed or brought to Colorado State Parks, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 618, Denver, CO 80203. Grants are awarded by mid-April.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity:	Amount
Greenland Open Space	\$250,000
Town of Frederick	\$160,000
Poudre River Trail Corridor, Inc.	\$250,000
TOTAL:	\$660,000.00

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECREATION FUND (OHV)

PURPOSE:

To assist with the construction, maintenance, or reconstruction of motorized or multiple-use (with significant motorized use) recreational trails, trail construction, improvements, trailhead facilities and educational projects. Funding is also available for informational programs, publications, and videos on safe OHV use; for information and regulatory signage for OHV routes, maps, and guides for OHV areas; and for support of volunteer programs on safety, education, and user information.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Motorized trails and trails with combined motorized and non-motorized use.

RESTRICTIONS:

These projects must benefit ATV; trail motorcycle and/or four-wheel drive recreation. A match is not required, although points are given in the Project Selection Criteria for projects which provide some match, either cash or in-kind. Funds are limited to political subdivisions of the state, federal land management agencies, and nonprofit organizations. Snowmobile projects are not eligible for this funding. If the request is under \$15,000 applicants should apply for Small Project Grants.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications may be obtained from State Trails Program website at <http://www.parks.state.co.us/OHV> or by email. Submit applications to Colorado State Parks, Trails Program. For more information call (303) 866-3203, Ext. 306. Staff can review the project scope to determine if it fits well with funding goals and clarify what is required in the application. State Parks and GOCO staff and the State Trails Committee review grants during January and February.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications must be postmarked by November 29, 2002, mailed or brought to Colorado State Parks, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 618, Denver, CO 80203.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Motorized Trails: Grand Mesa OHV Project, Western Slope ATV Association	\$28,000
Non-Motorized: Rawah Wilderness Waterworks, Poudre Wilderness Volunteers	\$18,000
Motorized and Non-Motorized: Snyder Creek Trail System, Northern Colorado Trail Riders	\$26,700
TOTAL:	\$72,700.00

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANTS/GOCO TRAILS GRANTS

PURPOSE:

The program provides funding for design, construction, reconstruction, and significant improvements to recreational trails, and trailhead facilities for all user types. Funds from GOCO, Colorado State Parks, and federal sources assist with recreational trails development for all types of trails from urban greenways, backcountry and motorized.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Eligible projects include: construction of motorized and/or non-motorized recreational trails; reconstruction of or enhancements to existing trails or trails system and trailhead facility. Acquisition of land for trail access is eligible. Maintenance is not eligible.

RESTRICTIONS:

Eligible applicants are local, state, and federal governments; school districts; special districts with recreational responsibilities; and non-profit organizations. Grants require 50 percent match by sponsor, either in cash or documented contributions. If the request is under \$15,000, applicants should apply for Small Project Grants.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications may be obtained from State Trails Program website at http://www.parks.state.co.us/trails_program/grants.asp?page=grants or by email. Submit applications to Colorado State Parks, Trails Program. For more information call (303) 866-3203, Ext. 306. Staff can review the project scope to determine if it fits well with funding goals and clarify what is required in the application. State Parks and GOCO staff and the State Trails Committee review grants during January and February.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications must be postmarked by November 29, 2002, and mailed or brought to Colorado State Parks, 1313 Sherman St., Room 618, Denver, CO 80203. Grants awarded by mid-April.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Motorized: Rampart Range Motorized Trail, USDA Forest Service	\$18,600
Non-Motorized: Fraser/Granby Non-motorized Trail, Headwaters Trail Alliance	\$117,000
TOTAL:	\$135,600.00

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

SMALL PROJECT GRANTS - TRAILS

PURPOSE:

The program provides funding for trail construction, improvements, and trailhead facilities. Funds from GOCO, Colorado State Parks, and federal sources assist recreational trails development for all types of trails from urban greenways, backcountry and motorized.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funding is for trail design, construction and improvements. Small grants can be used to fund volunteer construction and maintenance projects. Funding for trail safety improvements, signing and education are available.

RESTRICTIONS:

Eligible applicants are local, state, and federal governments; school districts; special districts with recreational responsibilities; and non-profit organizations. While eligibility is not restricted, the grants are targeted at smaller communities, rural counties, volunteer projects, and non-profit groups. Grants require 25 percent match by sponsor either in cash or value of documented contributions. OHV and snowmobile as well as non-motorized projects are eligible for this funding.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications may be obtained from State Trails Program website at http://www.parks.state.co.us/trails_program/grants.asp?page=grants or email. Submit applications to Colorado State Parks, Trails Program. If the request is under \$515,000 applicants should apply for Small Project Grants. For more information call (303) 866-3203, Ext. 306. Staff can review the project scope to determine if it fits well with funding goals and clarify what is required in the application. State Parks and GOCO staff and the State Trails Committee review grants during January and February.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications must be postmarked by November 29, 2002, and mailed or brought to Colorado State Parks, 1313 Sherman St., Room 618, Denver, CO 80203. Grants awarded by mid-April.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity:	Amount:
Motorized: Texas Creek Recreation Area, Rocky Mountain Trails Association	\$20,000
Non-Motorized: Galloping Goose Trail, San Juan Mountains Association	\$83,000
TOTAL:	\$103,000.00

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

STATE SNOWMOBILE PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

To assist with the winter grooming of snowmobile trails and other snowmobile related projects. The program also funds the snowmobile safety certification program, capital equipment, search and rescue equipment, and the avalanche-warning program. The grant program has historically funded the maintenance and grooming of over 2,000 miles of snowmobile trails in the state. Funded through snowmobile registration fees and federal sources.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The sport of snowmobiling.

RESTRICTIONS:

1. Organized snowmobile organizations (clubs).
2. Federal, state, and local government agencies.

All funds are used for providing safe, quality, and snowmobiling opportunities in the state.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are mailed to qualified organizations and government entities in mid-May. They are due back July 15. Funding decisions are made in late August. For more information, contact Dave Hause.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Applications are due July 15 to Dave Hause, Snowmobile Program Administrator, 13787 S. Hwy. 85, Littleton, CO 80125.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity	Amount
Twenty-three vendors for grooming and maintaining over 2,600 miles of snowmobile trails in Colorado, for the 2001-2002 winter season.	\$341,375
TOTAL:	\$341,375.00

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OUTDOOR RECREATION, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

TRAIL PLANNING GRANTS - TRAILS

PURPOSE:

To fund trail-related planning, research, and volunteer capacity building. Funds come from state parks, lottery, GOCO, and federal funds.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Eligible projects include: Feasibility studies, planning for the development or improvement of trails, design and engineering for trail construction projects, problems solving for trail design, impacts, inventory and research, partnerships to involve youth, and volunteer training programs and materials. NEPA work and advertising are not eligible.

RESTRICTIONS:

Eligible applicants are local, state, and federal governments; school districts; special districts with recreational responsibilities; and non-profit organizations. Grants require 50 percent match by sponsor either in cash or value of documented contributions. OHV and snowmobile as well as non-motorized projects are eligible for this funding.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications may be obtained from State Trails Program at http://www.parks.state.co.us/trails_program/grants.asp?page=grants or by email. Submit applications to Colorado State Parks, Trails Program. If the request is under \$15,000 applicants should apply for Small Project Grants. For more information call (303) 866-3203, Ext. 306. Staff can review the project scope to determine if it fits well with funding goals and clarify what is required in the application. State Parks and GOCO staff and State Trails Committee review grants during January and February.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications must be postmarked by November 29, 2002, and mailed or brought to Colorado State Parks, 1313 Sherman St., Room 618, Denver, CO 80203. Grants awarded by mid-April.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project/Entity:	Amount:
Motorized: Texas Creek Recreation Area, Rocky Mountain Trails Association	\$20,000
Non-Motorized: Galloping Goose Trail, San Juan Mountains Association	\$83,000
TOTAL:	\$103,000.00

PUBLIC FACILITY AND PLANNING

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

BRIDGE FUNDS

PURPOSE:

To provide grant funds for the rehabilitation or replacement of functionally obsolete or structurally deficient substandard bridges owned by the state, counties, or municipalities.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

There are federal funds available for bridge improvements. CDOT in conjunction with the Colorado Municipal League and Colorado Counties, Inc., administers bridge improvement funds.

RESTRICTIONS:

The program is generally 80 percent grant/20 percent local funds. CDOT administers the Federal Bridge Program for a charge of approximately two percent. All federally funded projects are subject to CDOT and federal procedures, including review and approval of consulting engineer, bridge design, and construction oversight. At completion, the bridge must be replaced or rehabilitated so that it is no longer on the select list and meets the legal load limits. Bridges must have a span of 20 feet and a sufficiency rating of 50 to be eligible for replacement and a rating of 80 or less for repair/rehabilitation.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Obtain information about the program from Special Highway Committee Representatives, Jan Gerstenberger of the Colorado Municipal League, or from Melissa Nelson of Colorado Counties, Inc., or CDOT bridge staff.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

The Special Highway Committee (SHC) solicits applications for bridge funds on a periodic basis and mails notices to municipalities and counties. Recommendations for federally funded bridges are made by the SHC and approved through the regional and statewide transportation planning process.

EXAMPLES OF PREVIOUS GRANTS:

Entity/Project	Amount
Town of Meeker - White River	\$506,400
Baca County - Sand Arroyo	\$270,000
Dolores County - Fish Creek	\$96,00
TOTAL:	\$776,496.00

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

OFFICE OF FIELD SERVICES

ENERGY & MINERAL IMPACT ASSISTANCE GRANTS & LOANS

PURPOSE:

The program assists political subdivisions of the State of Colorado that are socially or economically impacted by the development, processing, and energy conversion of minerals and mineral fuels.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Basic public facilities and services such as water, sewer, schools, police and fire protection, and municipalities or county planning and administration assistance.

RESTRICTIONS:

Applications are limited to political subdivisions of the State of Colorado. Included are municipalities, counties, school districts, fire, water, metropolitan, and other special districts. Loans restricted to water and sewer projects.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Local governments unfamiliar with the application process may seek assistance from appropriate regional organizations or from Department of Local Affairs Field Staff based in Denver, Durango, Frisco, Golden, Grand Junction, Loveland, Pueblo and Sterling. The process includes a presentation before the Impact Advisory Committee and the Department of Local Affairs Executive Director.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

December 1, April 1, and August 1.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS & LOANS:

Entity/Project:	Amount
Rio Blanco County - Roads	\$353,400
Delta County - Satellite Office	\$350,000
Town of Empire - Water loan/grant	\$95,000
Town of Dacono - Police Station	\$82,700
Moffat County - Uranium Remediation Study	\$35,000
Ridgway F.P.D. - Pumper truck,	\$75,000
City of Wray - Water Tank loan	\$24,203
TOTAL:	\$1,015,303.00

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

OFFICE OF SMART GROWTH

COLORADO HERITAGE PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

To recognize and reward communities that cooperatively plan for and manage growth, and assist local governments in anticipating and responsibly addressing the unique public impacts caused by growth.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

To address critical planning and growth management issues, such as land use and development patterns, transportation planning, affordable housing, mitigation of environmental hazards, energy uses and historic preservation.

RESTRICTIONS:

Application must be submitted jointly by governing bodies of at least two local governments. While there is no absolute limit to the amount of funding an applicant may request, the suggested maximum grant request is \$100,000. In cases where a large number of local governments apply jointly to fund a project, higher grant amounts will be considered.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications will be accepted and considered on an annual basis, available online, email or by mail. The Office of Smart may not have funds available for fiscal year 2003.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Application deadline vary from year to year. Contact Lillie Fuller (303) 866-3296 for more information.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

PROJECT/ENTITIES	AMOUNT
Pueblo Common Development Code/Pueblo County, Pueblo, Boone, Rye	\$55,000
Southwest Colorado Impact Fee Study/Lake and San Miguel Counties, Mancos, Creed, Durango	\$100,000
TEAM WORX/Teller County, Cripple Creek, Victor, Woodland Park	\$15,000
San Juan Skyway Heritage Initiative/Ouray, San Juan, San Miguel & Montezuma Counties, Rico	\$95,000
Gunnison Basin Joint Review Process/Gunnison, Gunnison County	\$3,710
Lowry Range-Long Range Planning Opportunity/Arapahoe/Aurora/Rangeview Metro. Dist.	\$75,000
Econ. & Soc. Effects of Second Homes in Mtn. Vail, Eagle, Grand, Jackson, Pitkin, Summit	\$75,000
Steamboat Springs Area Transportation Study & Mitigation Plan/Steamboat Springs, Routt County	\$35,000
Northwestern Colo. Wildland Fire & Fuel Management Plan/Moffat & Rio Blanco Counties	\$30,000
Summit County Natural Hazards Mapping Project/Summit, Montezuma, Breckenridge, Frisco, Dillon, Silverthorne, Blue River	\$30,000
Regional Affordable Housing Authority Initiative/Glenwood, Basalt, Carbondale, Eagle & Garfield Counties	\$52,500
Regional Transportation Policy Project/Loveland, Berthoud, Windsor, Fort Collins, Timnath, Greeley, Johnstown, LaSalle, Evans, Garden City, Larimer & Weld County	\$27,000
Cherry Creek Smart Growth for Clean Water/Denver, Arapahoe & Douglas Counties	\$30,000
Rural Healthy & Sustainable Growth Project/Chaffee County, Salida, Buena Vista, Poncha Springs	\$30,000
TOTAL	\$653,210

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

OFFICE OF FIELD SERVICES

SMALL CITIES - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

PURPOSE:

The program goal is to assist local governments implement projects that are responsive to local community development needs, strategies, and priorities, which primarily benefit low or moderate-income persons or eliminates slum and blight.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

CDBG provides federal funds for basic public facilities and services such as water, sewer, drainage, health care, and day care.

RESTRICTIONS:

Applications are limited to non-entitlement municipalities and counties of the State of Colorado. Also, municipalities and counties may contract with other entities or parties (councils of governments, special Districts, school districts, housing authorities, nonprofit corporations, etc.) to carry out project activities. Fifty one percent of the beneficiaries of the CDBG-funded project must be of low and moderate income. Numerous federal requirements apply, including Davis-Bacon wage standards and environmental review.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Local governments unfamiliar with the application process may seek assistance from Department of Local Affairs Field Staff based in Denver, Durango, Frisco, Golden, Grand Junction, Loveland, Monte Vista, Pueblo and Sterling.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity/Project:	Amount:
Larimer County - stormwater	\$196,307
City of Victor - Community Center	\$45,357
Town of Hartman - water	\$150,000
Conejos County - Day Care	\$333,280
City of Wray - Assisted Living Center	\$320,000
TOTAL:	\$1,044,944.00

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

OFFICE OF FIELD SERVICES

LOCAL GOVERNMENT LIMITED GAMING IMPACT GRANT PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

The program is designed to assist counties, municipalities, and special districts, which provide emergency services that are negatively impacted by limited gaming operations in Black Hawk, Central City, Cripple Creek, and tribal lands in Southwest Colorado.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The program is targeted to a full range of public service and facility projects including road and street improvements, law enforcement, emergency medical equipment and operations, district attorney functions and social service programs.

RESTRICTIONS:

Assistance is limited geographically to the counties of Gilpin and Teller Counties and the eight counties contiguous to Teller or Gilpin. The three counties in southwestern Colorado, (Archuleta, La Plata and Montezuma), where tribal gaming operations are in effect are also eligible.

At least 11 percent of the 50 percent share of the limited gaming fund is available to eligible local governments. This amount may be exceeded, but only with the approval of both the General Assembly and the Colorado Limited Gaming Commission. Funds available in state fiscal year 2001/2002 totaled \$5.4 million.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Participating jurisdictions should record gaming impact costs in accordance with the methodology approved by the Local Government Gaming Impact Advisory committee. Applications for assistance must be filed with the Department of Local Affairs and a presentation must be made before the advisory committee. The committee recommends the level of grant assistance to be provided for each project and the Executive Director of the Department of Local Affairs make the final funding decision based on the committee's recommendations.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

April 15 of each year.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity/Project	Amount
Gilpin County - Childcare Center	\$89,235
Clear Creek - Ambulance	\$41,000
El Paso County - District Attorney staff	\$163,000
TOTAL:	\$293,235.00

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
PLANNING
WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION

STATE DRINKING WATER GRANT PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

The program provides grants to governmental entities and not-for-profit public water systems to assist in funding drinking water system improvements. The purpose of this program is to fund projects that benefit public health by improving the quality of drinking water.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The program emphasizes improvements of drinking water treatment and distribution facilities.

RESTRICTIONS:

To be eligible to receive a grant, applicants must be a not-for-profit or governmental entity, serve a population of less than 5,000 and be included on the State Drinking Water Grant Program Project List. The project list is updated by the Water Quality Control Division (WQCD) and approved by the Colorado Board of Health annually. The Division of Local Government will verify the applicant's financial need.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Assistance with financing is initiated by contacting the WQCD about potential projects. Applications are accepted year-round.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Funding for this program is ongoing and dependent upon annual legislative appropriation.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity/Project:	Amount:
Town of Wiley	\$25,000
Town of Genoa	\$182,000
Town of Olney Springs	\$5,000
TOTAL:	\$212,000.00

Note: Funding not available July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002 (appropriated)

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
PLANNING
WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION****STATE DOMESTIC
WASTEWATER
CONSTRUCTION GRANT
PROGRAM**

PURPOSE:

The program provides grants to governmental agencies to assist in the construction of sewage treatment facilities. The purpose of the program is to maintain water quality, to alleviate current and potential health hazards from substandard publicly owned treatment systems, and prevent and correct problems with existing wastewater treatment facilities.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The program emphasizes improvements to publicly owned wastewater treatment facilities and collection systems.

RESTRICTIONS:

To be eligible to receive a grant, applicants must be a governmental entity, serve a population of less than 5,000 and be included on the State Grant Priority List. The Water Quality Control Commission adds projects to the list annually. The Division of Local Government must verify financial need.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Assistance with financing is initiated by contacting the Water Quality Control Division about potential projects. Applications are accepted year-round.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Funding for this program is ongoing and dependent upon annual legislative appropriation.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity/Project:	Amount:
Town of Springfield - treatment plant upgrades	\$100,000
Town of Saguache - engineering report	\$36,000
Town of Ovid	\$120,000
Town of Stratton	\$10,000
Costilla County	\$225,000
TOTAL:	\$491,000.00
Note: Funding not available July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002 (appropriated)	

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
PLANNING
WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION****DRINKING WATER
REVOLVING FUND (DWRP)**

PURPOSE:

The program provides financial assistance, in the form of low interest loans, to governmental agencies needing to make improvements to their drinking water systems.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Projects eligible for assistance may include transmission and distribution lines, water treatment plants, pump stations, wells, and connection fees to regional facilities. In addition, financing is available for design purposes.

RESTRICTIONS:

To be eligible to receive a loan, governmental agencies must be included on the Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Eligibility List. The State Board of Health adds projects to the list annually. Leveraged loans are available for over \$1,000,000 at an interest rate equal to 80 percent of the market rate. Maximum direct loan amount is \$1,000,000 with a 4 percent interest rate. The terms of the loan shall not exceed 20 years. For loans to systems that provide 2,000 acre feet or more water per year an approved water conservation plan must have been adopted.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are coordinated through the Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. The Colorado Division of Local Government evaluates credit worthiness and management capacity. Loan agreements are executed with the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT LOANS:

Entity/Project:	Amount:
Town of Limon	\$1,440,100
City of Westminster	\$15,000,000
TOTAL:	\$16,440,100.00

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
PLANNING
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE AND
PREVENTION DIVISION****EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICE GRANTS (EMS)****PURPOSE:**

The program assists local Emergency Medical Service (EMS) providers in their efforts to improve effectiveness of services, including emergency medical equipment, communications equipment, and Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training programs.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Local, regional, and statewide applications are solicited that will upgrade the level of EMS in the area and in the state.

RESTRICTIONS:

The Division discourages applications for lawsuits, capital construction, fire suppression equipment, or dive rescue equipment, but does not specifically restrict an agency from applying for them.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are available in December of each year. Call (303) 692-2987, to be placed on the mailing list. Applications are put through a three-part evaluation process that culminates with awards in July. Applications for emergency funding are available throughout the year.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

February 15 each year.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Project Description	Entity	Amount
New ambulance (50%)	Fowler Rural Fire Protection District	\$34,925
New ambulance (50%)	Oak Creek Fire Protection District	\$40,445
Training, Communications, EMS Equipment	St. Vincent Hospital Ambulance	\$14,306.50
Training/Education	Trinidad State Junior College	\$28,000
TOTAL:		\$117,676.50

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
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WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION****WATER POLLUTION
CONTROL REVOLVING
FUND (WPCRF)**

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the program is to provide low interest loans for funding publicly owned wastewater treatment facilities and other eligible water pollution control projects. Provide loans for wastewater systems and nonpoint source pollution projects.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Treatment plant and collection system upgrades and replacement stormwater, nonpoint source, bio-solids management, water conservation, including meters. Financing is made available to public entities for construction or expansion projects.

RESTRICTIONS:

Loans are made from an eligibility list adopted by the Water Quality Control Commission and passed by means of a joint resolution through the Colorado Legislature. There is a direct loan program for loans up to \$1,000,000 and up to 20-year terms at a fixed interest rate of 4 percent. There are leveraged loans for over \$1,000,000 available for up to a 20-year term at an interest rate equal to 80 percent of the market rate. For loans to systems that provide 2,000 acre feet or more water per year an approved water conservation plan must have been adopted.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are coordinated through the Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. The Division of Local Government evaluates credit worthiness and management capacity. Loan agreements are executed with the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT LOANS:

Entity/Project:	Amount
City of Aurora - re-use facility	\$24,000,000
Fremont Sanitation District - bio-solids	\$8,000,000
Three Lakes Water and Sanitation District	\$6,500,000
City of Fort Collins	\$9,900,000
TOTAL:	\$48,400,000.00

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

CDOT ENHANCEMENT FUNDS

PURPOSE:

The term "enhancement" means going beyond normal, routine, or customary elements of transportation and does not include activities intended to mitigate project impacts in compliance with requirements of state or federal laws. Enhancement funds are not actually grants in the common definition, but rather they are part of the state's Surface Transportation Program (STP) budget. Ten percent of each state's STP funds must be spent on projects that qualify as enhancement projects. Often these funds are designated in coordination with a local government or tribal entity. The program is not intended for long-range major transportation projects, but rather is intended to assist government entities in developing smaller projects in a short period of time.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Qualifying activities include construction of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles, acquisition of scenic easement and historic sites, scenic highway programs, landscaping and other scenic beautification projects, historic preservation, rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings and structures, preservation of abandoned railway corridors, regulation and removal of outdoor advertising, archaeological planning, and research and mitigation of water pollution due to highway runoff.

RESTRICTIONS:

Eligible applicants are federal, state, tribal, regional, county, or municipal government agencies. Applicants must match at least 20 percent of the total project costs. All projects will be constructed under CDOT oversight and requires a contract with CDOT. Numerous federal regulations apply, including Davis-Bacon wages and environmental law.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

It is crucial that local governments work with regional representatives. Interested parties are encouraged to contact their CDOT Regional Transportation Director located in Aurora, Denver, Durango, Grand Junction, Greeley, or Pueblo.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Funding is typically outlined in three-year cycles.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity/Project:	Amount:
Steamboat Springs, Pedestrian/Bike Trail	\$321,000
Statewide: Abandoned Railroad Corridors	\$595,500
Historical Sign Kiosks	\$466,122
TOTAL:	\$1,382,622.00

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS

DISCRETIONARY AVIATION GRANT & LOAN PROGRAM (CDAGL)

PURPOSE:

This program provides financial assistance to publicly owned, public-use airports and aviation services in Colorado.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

CDAG program focuses on maintenance and development of the state's system of aviation facilities, with particular emphasis being placed on interim maintenance of airport movement areas--runways, taxiways, parking aprons, etc. Additional consideration is given to state's participation in local match of Federal Aviation Administration funding of airport capital improvement program grants. State maximum participation is 5 percent of federal projects. The program funds developmental programs which enhance the airport's support services, capital equipment, navigation aids, terminal and service areas, and economic development programs. CDAG funding has provided aviation education and internship training programs.

RESTRICTIONS:

Funding is limited to those public entities that operate publicly accessible aviation services and facilities (particularly airports) and to nonprofit foundations and associations that provide the state's aviation services. No State of Colorado moneys are granted to privately owned aviation facilities other than to those airports that apply for and receive the equivalent of funds paid into the Colorado Aviation Fund by that airport as fuel excise and sales tax revenues. The suggested maximum grant is \$50,000, although grants in excess of that amount have been awarded on projects that significantly impact the state's aviation system.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The CDAG program awarded in excess of \$2 million annually during its October hearing cycle when the Colorado Aeronautical Board (CAB) reviewed applications submitted by local entities during the summer application process. All grants require some measure of local community participation in the form of proportionate funding and/or in-kind activities.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Application packages are mailed to possible grantees at the end of June and must be returned to the CDOT-Aeronautics Division at the end of August. Review and comment is provided to the CAB by Division staff by mid-September.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

RUNWAY MAINTENANCE: Mineral County Memorial Airport – (matching funds - \$228,000); Stevens Field, Pagosa Springs – (matching funds - \$156,665); Limon Municipal Airport – airfield maintenance - (matching funds - \$105,000); Harriet Alexander Field – Salida - airport master plan – (matching funds -\$60,000); Glenwood Springs Airport – airport navigation /radio equipment – (matching funds \$33,500).

2002 COLORADO DISCRETIONARY AVIATION GRANT awards addressed those areas most critical to the continued well being of the aviation system in Colorado. Limited by the uncertainty that prevailed in the post-**September 11** aviation environment, the Colorado Aeronautical Board concentrated its limited funds in the maintenance of existing airport facilities and participation in local matching funds for federally funded airport expansion and construction.

In total, \$2,043,303 was awarded in 25 individual grants.

Project/Entity:	Amount
Front Range Airport – Denver	\$65,000
Montrose Regional Airport	\$165,625
Glenwood Springs Municipal Airport	\$53,824
Rangely Airport	\$161,250
TOTAL:	\$445,699.00

Participation in local match for federal funds:

Project/Entity:	Amount
Jefferson County Airport - runway/ taxiway improvements	\$113,889
Stevens Field-Pagosa Springs - runway reconstruction	\$284,805
Lake County Airport-Leadville - master planning	\$5,555
Tri-County Airport-Erie - terminal reconstruction	\$16,666
TOTAL:	\$420,915.00

STATE INFRASTRUCTURE BANK

In 2002, the Aviation Section of the State Infrastructure Bank was made available to Colorado airports for expansion of facilities, economic development, revenue-based generating projects for the first time. Loan program funds are part of a larger transportation infrastructure loan program providing revolving funds, under the management of the Colorado Transportation Commission. The Colorado Aeronautical Board makes recommendations for individual loans.

Loan funds are currently offered for periods up to ten years, with repayments designed on monthly, quarterly or annual schedules. The current interest rate is 2 percent; there is no origination fee. The program is dependent on annual infusions of principal until the cycle of repayments makes a continuous flow of funds available.

A total of \$3M was awarded through four aviation development loans in 2002.

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
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DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION
DEVELOPMENT****SCENIC BYWAYS PROGRAM****PURPOSE:**

The Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways program is a statewide partnership intended to provide recreational, educational, and economic benefits to Coloradoans and visitors through the designation, interpretation, protection, promotion, and infrastructure development of outstanding touring routes in Colorado. The National Scenic Byways Program was established under Section 1047 of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA). The program was re-authorized under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) and will continue to provide grants to the States to assist in the development of statewide programs.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Project activities considered most appropriate include those associated with the planning, design and development of State scenic byways programs, developing corridor management plans, and providing tourist related information (sign, brochures, pamphlets, tapes, maps). Other categories include making safety improvements to the scenic byway to accommodate increased traffic due to designation; construction of facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists including rest areas, pullouts, shoulder improvements, passing lanes, overlooks, and interpretive facilities; roadway improvements to enhance access to a recreation area; and protecting historical, archaeological, and cultural resources in areas adjacent to the scenic byway through use-restrictions such as easements or acquisition.

RESTRICTIONS:

Limited to eligible projects submitted by local byway organizations of designated Scenic and Historic Byways. Only one project per byway is generally accepted for each grant cycle. Funding is 80 percent federal (maximum) with required 20 percent (minimum) local match. In-kind services and federal cash are allowed as part of the 20 percent match requirement. Federal in-kind match and state or local government in-kind match are not allowed.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Projects are prepared by the local byways organization and submitted to the Scenic and Historic Byways Commission for review, evaluation, and prioritization. A single grant application from the State of Colorado is prepared and submitted to the Federal Highway Administration in Washington, D.C., for final review and approval. The Secretary of Transportation makes the grant awards.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

The current deadline for FY 2004 grant is June 30, 2003.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

The Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways Program has received over \$8.3 million in federal grants from the National Scenic Byways Program, matched with almost \$2.9 million in local and state funds to implement the Colorado program. Over the past ten years, a total of 111 unique and creative projects have been developed by the Byways Commission and the local byway organizations, and include development of byway management and interpretive plans, development of brochures, historical guides, videos, educational materials, interpretive markers and kiosks, and the construction of interpretive centers, pullouts, and restroom facilities.

Below are projects funded in FY 2002 (federal \$/local \$).

Byway	Description	TEA-21	Local Match	Total
Colorado Council for the Arts	<i>Tourism with Tradition - study of cultural intrinsic qualities</i>	\$25,100	\$39,700	\$64,800
West Elk Loop	<i>Crested Butte to Carbondale Trail Plan</i>	\$52,000	\$13,000	\$65,000
Frontier Pathway	<i>Goodnight Barn Pullout - Master Plan</i>	\$16,000	\$9,000	\$25,000
Colorado River Headwaters	<i>Interpretive Improvement Plan</i>	\$56,520	\$26,380	\$82,900
Byways Commission	<i>Byways Tool Kit and Training Program</i>	\$80,000	\$20,000	\$100,000
Sante Fe Trail	<i>CMP Implementation (Seed Grant)</i>	\$25,000	\$6,240	\$31,250
Top of the Rockies	<i>CMP Implementation (Seed Grant)</i>	\$25,000	\$6,300	\$31,300
Gold Belt Tour	<i>CMP Implementation (Seed Grant)</i>	\$25,000	\$6,250	\$31,250
Grand Mesa	<i>CMP Implementation (Seed Grant)</i>	\$25,000	\$6,467	\$31,467
San Juan Skyway	<i>CMP Implementation (Seed Grant)</i>	\$25,000	\$12,000	\$37,000
Frontier Pathways	<i>CMP Implementation (Seed Grant)</i>	\$25,000	\$15,500	\$40,500
San Juan Skyway	<i>Little Molas Lake Recreation Area</i>	\$100,000	\$895,000	\$995,000
Grand Mesa	<i>Summit Trailhead Relocation</i>	\$135,000	\$150,000	\$285,000
Peak to Peak	<i>Education and Protection</i>	\$71,501	\$17,875	\$89,376
TOTALS:		\$686,100.00	\$1,223,712.00	\$1,909,843.00

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
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PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FACILITIES

WATER PROJECT CONSTRUCTION LOAN FUND

PURPOSE:

The program purpose is to provide low interest loans for the development or rehabilitation of raw water projects. The Construction Fund consists of monies previously set aside by the General Assembly and made available for water project planning and construction.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funds are loaned for new raw water storage projects that increase the beneficial consumptive use of Colorado's waters and for the repair and rehabilitation of existing storage and raw water delivery systems. This includes the construction of new dams or enlargement of existing dams, rehabilitation of existing dams to meet safety standards, and rehabilitation of agricultural water supply systems or municipal raw water supply systems.

RESTRICTIONS:

The program does not provide funding for municipal water treatment and distribution systems. Loans are available for up to 75 percent of total project costs for a term as long as 30 years. The average interest rate is 5 percent for municipal borrowers, and 3 percent for agricultural borrowers. A feasibility study is required to help select the best alternative, and to determine the project cost.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Information and an application can be obtained from either John Van Sciver or Mike Serlet of the Colorado Water Conservation Board.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

The application deadline for large projects is August 31 in order to receive funds by the following June. Emergency project applications and applications for loans for small projects can be submitted at any time. Please call concerning the specific deadline for your project.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT LOANS:

Project/Entity:	Amount
Amity Mutual Irrigation Company Dam Rehabilitation	\$360,000
Parker Water and Sanitation District Reservoir Construction	\$15,000,000
Larimer County Dry Creek Flood Control Mitigation Project	\$11,000,000
Silver Springs Trout Farm Hatchery Rehabilitation	\$365,000
Glenwood Irrigation Company Diversion Structure	\$85,000
TOTAL:	\$26,810,000.00

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

FINANCING PROGRAM FOR SMALL WATER RESOURCES PROJECT

PURPOSE:

The program provides financial assistance (loans) to local governments for water and wastewater projects up to \$25 million in size.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Projects eligible for assistance may include transmission and distribution lines, water and wastewater treatment plants, sewer lines, pump stations, wells, and connection fees to regional facilities, water rights and hydroelectric facilities. In addition, financing is available for design purposes.

RESTRICTIONS:

Local governments must pledge either their unlimited taxing power (General Obligation) or the revenues from the water system. To use a revenue pledge, the entity must have at least 650 customers. If a general obligation pledge is made, the entity must have a population of 1,000.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

A governmental agency wishing to participate in this program should contact the Authority to discuss either immediate or long-term needs. Assistance with financing is initiated by submitting an application to the Authority. Information can be obtained from Michael W. Brod, Finance Director, Extension #15, or Keith McLaughlin, Senior Financial Analyst, Ext. 15.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT LOANS:

Entity/Project:	Amount:
Town of Carbondale - Water Treatment Plant Upgrade	\$1,910,000
Project Seven Water Authority Increase Storage Capacity	\$1,250,000
TOTAL:	\$3,160,000.00

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES AND
PLANNING**

REBUILD COLORADO GRANT

PURPOSE:

To promote performance contracting and offer engineering and financial expertise to help managers achieve success. Rebuild Colorado will offer officials assistance during each step of a building-improvement project. Services will range from conducting a pre-feasibility study to identify opportunities, to providing a sample contract to furnishing an on-site expert in performance contracting.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

A property owner contracts with an energy service company, which designs, purchases, installs and maintains energy conservation projects. The energy service company guarantees that the actual energy savings achieved will pay for all project costs over the life of a contract. Many different types of energy-saving opportunities are good candidates for performance contracting as long as they are cost-effective. The most common projects include replacing lighting equipment, installing computerized controls for heating/ventilating/air-conditioning equipment and replacing or modifying HVAC equipment to improve efficiency. Sometimes roof insulation, storm windows or window films are cost-effective enough to be included. Other opportunities include swimming pool covers, repair of existing solar systems, or modifications of kitchen equipment. There are usually benefits beyond energy savings.

RESTRICTIONS:

The combined facility space or energy costs must be great enough to attract an energy service company: minimum of 40,000 square feet or \$40,000 per year energy costs.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

All requests for services must come to OEC.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

First come, first served.

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING

RCAC LOAN PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

The program provides short-term loans for a variety of project types that include affordable housing, community facilities, and small water and wastewater system development or improvement; and long -term loans for affordable rental housing and community facilities.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

RCAC lends to non-profit organizations, tribes, public agencies, units of local government and special purpose districts engaged in the development or improvement of affordable housing, health or other community facilities, and small drinking water or wastewater system. RCAC is especially interested in projects that benefit the low to moderate medium income population of a given area.

RESTRICTIONS:

Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) will lend for projects located in areas with population of 50,000 or less. A minimum of 51 percent of the people served by eligible projects will be low income, less than 80 percent of area median income.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are handled through the Colorado office. Staff will provide application materials and current program information and assist in the preparation of an application.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Short-term financing, up to three years: Land acquisition, unimproved or finished lots, pre-development expenses, site improvement costs, new construction, and rehabilitation.

Long-term financing, up to 30 years: Permanent financing for community facilities including, but not limited to, child care centers, adult day health care facilities, medical clinics, hospitals, special needs housing and shelters for protection from domestic violence as well as water/wastewater, utility, communication and transportation systems.

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING RURAL DEVELOPMENT

USDA - COMMUNITY FACILITY PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

To make, direct, and guarantee loans to develop essential community facilities in rural areas and communities not to exceed 50,000 in population.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

The program provides community facilities for health care, public safety, and public services. This can include costs to acquire land needed to develop the facility, construction, professional fees, and purchase equipment required for its operation.

RESTRICTIONS:

Loans are available to local governments, special purpose districts, nonprofit corporations, and tribal governments. Applicants must have the legal authority to borrow and repay loans, to pledge security for loans, and to construct, operate, and maintain the facilities. Repayment of the loan must be based on tax assessments, revenues, fees, or other sources of money sufficient for operation and maintenance, reserves, and debt retirement. The maximum term for a loan is 40 years.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants are handled through the Lakewood Rural Development office. Staff will provide application materials and current program information and assist in the preparation of an application.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT LOANS:

Entity/Project:	Amount:
Tri-Lakes Community Preschool	\$7,000
Upper Arkansas COG	\$108,000
Valley Wide Health	\$250,000
Battlement Mesa Assisted Living	\$2,835,000
Castle Country Assisted Living - guaranteed Loan	\$300,000
TOTAL:	\$3,500,000.00

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PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PLANNING RURAL DEVELOPMENT

WATER AND WASTEWATER PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

Loans and grants for water, wastewater, and storm water projects in rural areas and communities under 10,000 population.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Priority will be given to applicants in areas smaller than 5,500 people with deteriorating water supply or inadequate facilities. Preference will also be given to projects in which small facilities would be merged and those serving low-income areas.

RESTRICTIONS:

Loans and grants are available to local governments, special purpose districts, nonprofit corporations, and tribal governments. Applicants must have the legal authority to borrow and repay loans, to pledge security for loans, and to construct, operate, and maintain the facilities.

Repayment of the loan must be based on tax assessments, revenues, fees, or other sources of money sufficient for operation and maintenance, reserves, and debt retirement. The maximum term for a loan is 40 years.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants are handled through the Lakewood Rural Development office. Staff will provide application materials and current program information and assist in the preparation of an application.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Ongoing.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity/Project:	Amount:
Fremont Sanitation - loan	\$724,000
grant	\$714,000
Ignacio Sanitation - loan	
grant	\$399,600
City of Monte Vista - loan	\$610,000
Morgan Heights Water and Sanitation - loan	\$434,000
City of Fort Morgan - loan	\$2,000,000
grant	\$2,000,000
Town of Fairplay - loan	\$100,000
Town Brookside - loan	\$170,000
grant	\$355,000
Montezuma Water - guaranteed loan	\$2,100,000
TOTAL:	\$9,873,000.00

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PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE OF FIELD SERVICES
NORTHWEST REGIONAL OFFICE
SEARCH & RESCUE FUND

PURPOSE:

Reimbursement to county sheriffs for the cost of search and rescue activities, undertaken and approved by the sheriff, and for funds to purchase search and rescue related equipment and training.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Costs are reimbursed on a tiered basis with the highest priority being given to paying for searches for "licensed" persons. These are individuals with a hunting license, fishing license, boat registration, snowmobile registration, OHV registration, or Colorado Outdoor Recreation Search and Rescue Card. If funds exist at the end of the year, Tier II priority is to reimburse costs for searches for relatives of "licensed" persons, Tier III priority is to reimburse costs for searches for "unlicensed" persons. Also dependent on fund availability are end of year grants to search and rescue agencies, through sheriffs' departments, for training and equipment associated with search and rescue activity. Visit the program's website for additional information related to Search and Rescue efforts.

RESTRICTIONS:

Funding is limited to county sheriffs' departments and search and rescue agencies applying through a County Sheriff. No limitation on search costs, but salaries are excluded as an eligible cost. Year-end grants--\$500 to \$20,000.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

File request for search expense reimbursement with appropriate documentation to County Sheriff. The Sheriff signs and forwards mission report to Department of Local Affairs. Tier I searches are immediately paid. Tier II and Tier III searches are reviewed and held until end of May and paid if funding is available. End of year training and equipment grants are filed on appropriate form with Northwest Regional Office of the Department of Local Affairs.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Search reimbursement requests are accepted on an ongoing basis and are due within 60 days of the conclusion of the search. Tier III grant applications are due April 1.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Equipment Description	Entity	Amount
ATV and accessories	Archuleta County	\$15,088
Pagers, vacuum body splint, EMS equipment, radios/radio equipment, avalanche equipment, climbing equipment	Boulder County	\$13,792
SAR training, communications equipment	Teller	\$10,080
Radios and pagers	San Miguel County	
TOTAL:		\$38,960.00

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PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM

*Emergency Management, Stafford
Act*

PURPOSE:

The program provides assistance to state and local governments and private not-for-profit organizations by partially funding mitigation projects following a Presidential Disaster Declaration. This increases the ability to mitigate for and recover from natural or technological disaster.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Eligible applicants are state and local governments, private not-for-profit organizations, and Indian Tribes.

RESTRICTIONS:

Funds must be matched by the state or local entity at 25 percent or more; requests may be for up to 75 percent federal funds. These funds are only available after a Presidential Disaster Declaration. Local and state governments must meet certain thresholds of damage to request a Presidential declaration.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants apply after the declaration. Applications are solicited from and managed by the Colorado Office of Emergency Management.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Normally within six months of the declaration.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

August 1, 1997--Ft. Collins: a grant program to retrofit residences and commercial structures and to develop a public education, stream gage, and warning system. City of Sterling/Logan County: a drainage modification project. Colorado Springs: buyout of homes damaged by landslides. Otero County: buyout of homes damaged by floodwaters.

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PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

**STATE HAZARD
MITIGATION GRANT
PROGRAM**

Emergency Management

PURPOSE:

To provide assistance to local governments, state agencies and private non-profit organizations by partially funding their mitigation projects. This increases the ability to mitigate for natural or technological disasters.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funding is limited to local governments, state agencies and private non-profit organizations.

RESTRICTIONS:

These federal funds may be requested for up to 75 percent of project costs. Requesting agencies must provide at least a 25 percent match. These funds are available without disaster declarations.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are solicited and managed by the Office of Emergency Manager. Information is available thorough the listed point of contact or the OEM Regional Coordinators in Grand Junction (970) 248-7308, Loveland (970) 593-9381, Pueblo (719) 544-6563, Durango (970) 247-7674, and Golden (303) 273-1778.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

None.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

San Miguel County- Ice Jam Flood Mitigation Study; Jefferson County-Wildfire Homeowners Brochures; CSU- Hail Study; Steamboat Springs- GIS data for floodplain use; Comprehensive/ Master plans: Cedaredge and Park County.

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PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PARTICIPATION GRANTS

*Local Emergency Management
Support*

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the program is to provide assistance to local governments by partially funding their emergency management activities in the areas of planning, training, exercises and public education. This increases both local and state government capability to respond to, mitigate, prepare for and recover from natural or technological disasters.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Eligible applicants are local governments, primarily at the county level, and certain municipalities.

RESTRICTIONS:

Funds must be matched by the local entity at 50 percent. Municipalities may be eligible depending on population at risk and other factors.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants may apply at any time, but annual program papers outlining the work plans/activities and staffing patterns are usually due by October 1. Information is available through the listed contacts or the OEM Regional Coordinators in Grand Junction (970) 248- 7308, Loveland (970) 679-4503, Pueblo (719) 544-6563, Durango (970) 247-7674, and Golden (303) 273-1778.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

October 1 (first day of the federal fiscal year). Umbrella contracts must be in place before the jurisdiction is eligible to receive funding.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Forty-seven counties and municipalities received EMPG - LEMS grants in federal fiscal year 2001.

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PUBLIC SAFETY
COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION
BOARD

FLOOD PLANNING & PROJECT MITIGATION PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

To provide funding assistance to state and local governments for 1) flood mitigation planning, 2) flood mitigation projects, and 3) FMA technical assistance. The overall goal is to "fund cost effective measures that reduce or eliminate the long term risk of damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other NFIP-insurable structures."

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funding is limited to the State and local governments.

RESTRICTIONS:

Funds must be matched by the state or local entity at 25 percent, 75 percent federal. Half of the 12.5 percent match must be cash. These funds are allocated annually without a Presidential (federal) declaration of disaster upon recommendation by the State. A base amount of \$122,000 is available annually, approximately \$110,000 for projects and \$11,800 for planning.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants can apply annually, but scheduling is yet to be determined by the CWCB. Applications must be accompanied by a locally adopted and enforceable flood hazard mitigation plan that was developed with community support and input.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

To be determined by the State and FEMA.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

None, the program is relatively new.

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PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE OF PREPAREDNESS, SECURITY
AND FIRE SAFETY

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANTS (U.S.D.O.T.)

49 U.S.C. Section 5101 Et. Seq.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

PURPOSE:

To provide assistance to public sector employees, local governments and agencies such as Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC) and responder agencies through training and planning grants to states for emergency response and planning. To increase state and local effectiveness in safely and efficiently handling hazardous materials, accidents, and incidents, enhance implementation of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA), and encourage a comprehensive approach to emergency training and planning by incorporating the unique challenges of responses to transportation solutions.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Hazardous materials public sector first responder training including awareness, operations, and technician level courses with training being coordinated through the State Department of Public Safety, Office of Preparedness, Security and Fire Safety under contract to the Department of Local Affairs. Subgrants to local jurisdictions Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) to accomplish the following planning related activities, risk assessment including commodity flow studies, exercises, plan revisions, plan expansion, evaluation of the need for regional response teams and other related items.

RESTRICTIONS:

State is applicant to US DOT. Office of Preparedness and Fire Safety provides training. LEPCs and local governments agencies are eligible applicants for planning grants and training. Seventy-five percent of planning funds must go to LEPCs, while at least 75 percent of benefit of training must go to public sector first responders.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Training requests are made to the State Office of Preparedness, Security and Fire Safety. Application for planning grants can be made on an annual basis in August of each year. The Colorado Office of Emergency Management provides application packages.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Planning Grants Act-annually, this year's was NLT October. (Call to verify deadline date.)
Training - none.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Training (\$128,079); Planning (\$53,637). Note other federal funding that may be available from EPA and FEMA also supports this application process.

Project/Entity	Amount
Colorado State Patrol	\$6,000
Delta	\$1,500
Colorado Springs/El Paso	\$6,100
Jefferson County	\$28,000
Northeast Emergency Management	\$9,100
CEPC	\$1,207
POTs	\$125
TOTAL	\$52,032.00

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PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

**STATE VICTIM ASSISTANCE
& LAW ENFORCEMENT
PROGRAM (VALE)**

PURPOSE:

The state's VALE program was created when the Legislature passed the Assistance to Victims and Witnesses to Crimes Aid Law Enforcement Act of 1984. The Act authorizes the collection of criminal assessments to support implementing and coordinating statewide victim services and the Victim Rights Amendment.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

There are three areas for priority funding: (1) projects ineligible for federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) assistance funds and/or local VALE funds; (2) projects that are statutorily mandated to implement the Victim Rights Amendment statewide; and (3) projects designed to have a statewide impact or that can be replicated throughout the state.

RESTRICTIONS:

The applications for these funds are limited to state criminal justice agencies that help to implement the Victim Rights Act, a criminal justice agency in the Colorado Department of Public Safety that helps to implement and/or coordinate statewide services, an organization whose primary purpose is to address issues related to crime victims to help implement or coordinate statewide or multi-jurisdictional victim programs and services, or local VALE programs. The Division of Criminal Justice and the Colorado Department of Public Safety administer the program and are advised in this responsibility by the State VALE Board.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

A seven-member board appointed by the Governor acts in an advisory capacity to the Division of Criminal Justice and recommends award amounts for the State VALE program.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications are due September 5, 2003.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

The program's spending authority for grants is a maximum of \$910,000. The Division of Criminal Justice determines the grant amounts awarded based on fund availability.

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PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

**LOCAL VICTIM
ASSISTANCE & LAW
ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM
(VALE)**

PURPOSE:

The Local VALE program was created when the Legislature passed the Assistance to Victims and Witnesses to Crimes Aid Law Enforcement Act of 1984. The Act authorizes the collection of criminal assessments to support local victim services.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

There are two equal priority areas for VALE funding. One of the priorities is the amendment to the Colorado State Constitution regarding the rights afforded to crime victims. Colorado statute establishes funding priorities for programs that implement the constitutional amendment (24-4.1-302.5, C.R.S.; 24-4.1-303, C.R.S.; and 24-4.1-304, C.R.S.). The other priority is funding for victim and witness services which are listed in the Colorado Revised Statutes 24-4.2-105(4). These include, but are not limited to, crisis intervention services, referrals of victims to appropriate social services and victim compensation programs, translator services, and counseling.

RESTRICTIONS:

The Act provides for the existence of a five-member board, appointed by the Chief Judge in each judicial district. Each local board accepts applications and makes decisions regarding the use of VALE funds in that judicial district.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Contact the local VALE Administrator in your District Attorney's Office directly or contact Rebecca Oakes with the Division of Criminal Justice for the person's name and telephone number.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Most local VALE Boards award grants for a January to December fiscal year.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

During 2001, the 22 local VALE Boards approved over 359 grants and 455 training scholarships, with the awards totaling over \$8.6 million.

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**PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE****VICTIMS ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM-VICTIMS OF
CRIME ACT (VOCA)**

PURPOSE:

To provide direct services to victims of violent crime to: (1) respond to the emotional and physical needs of crime victims; (2) assist primary and secondary victims of crime to stabilize their lives after a victimization; (3) assist victims to understand and participate in the criminal justice system; and, (4) provide victims with a measure of safety.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

A project must be operated by a public agency or a nonprofit organization; demonstrate substantial financial support from other sources; utilize volunteers or request a waiver due to compelling reason; promote coordinated public and private efforts to aid crime victims; and assist victims in seeking available crime victims compensation benefits.

RESTRICTIONS:

Each state must allocate at least 10 percent of its total VOCA assistance funds to each of the following priority categories: (1) child abuse; (2) sexual assault including adult survivors of childhood sexual assault; (3) domestic violence; and, (4) designated previously undeserved victim populations. No one-priority category will receive more than 55 percent of the total amount of VOCA assistance funds available to the state.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Contact Robert Gallup at (303) 239-4529 or Anthony J. Tilger at (303) 239-4440, with the Division of Criminal Justice, Office for Victim Programs.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Application date varies each year.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

In 2000 there were 138 awards to victim services programs throughout Colorado, located at law enforcement agencies, district attorney offices, and community programs for domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, and other victims. These programs provide on scene crisis response to victims, criminal justice advocacy, and follow-up services.

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PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

**S.T.O.P. VIOLENCE AGAINST
WOMEN ACT (VAWA)****PURPOSE:**

To develop and strengthen effective victim services, law enforcement and prosecution strategies in cases involving violent crimes against women.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

To coordinate and integrate statewide efforts to bring about long term system improvements in the areas of law enforcement, prosecution, legal advocacy, and victim services. The purpose is to prevent, identify and respond to cases involving violence against women. Special focus will be placed on women in underserved populations, which could include rural, ethnic, and cultural minorities and women with disabilities.

RESTRICTIONS:

At least 25 percent of the funds must be allocated to law enforcement efforts, 25 percent to prosecution efforts, and 25 percent to victim services.

Projects must fit in one of seven federal purpose areas.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Dollars distributed to the state from the Federal Government are awarded through sub-grants.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

The exact application date varies from year to year. Announcements (RFPs) are mailed each year in late August, with applications due in October.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Established satellite offices, with local staff and local phone lines in three rural communities; increased communication and services through bilingual advocacy services to mono-lingual Spanish speaking victims and community members funded specialized law enforcement and prosecution personnel. Last year, 63 grants were awarded with the average award of \$30,000.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

GOVERNOR'S RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

*Local Law Enforcement Block
Grants (Local)*

PURPOSE:

To provide units of local governments with funds to underwrite projects to reduce crime and improve public safety.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funds may be used for one of seven areas: (1) hiring, training, employing new, additional law enforcement officers/necessary support personnel; (2) enhancing security measures in and around schools; (3) establishing/supporting drug courts; (4) enhancing the adjudication of cases involving violent offenders; (5) establishing a multi-jurisdictional task force that will work with federal law enforcement officials to prevent and control crime; (6) establishing crime prevention programs in cooperation with community residents and law enforcement personnel; and (7) defraying the cost of indemnification insurance of law enforcement officers.

RESTRICTIONS:

The intent of this grant program is to provide funding opportunities for those jurisdictions that did not qualify for the direct awards, which are made by the Bureau of Justice Assistance. The maximum amount of federal funds that any jurisdiction may apply for is \$10,000 and only one application per agency is accepted. Funds cannot be used to purchase, lease, rent or acquire any vehicle not used primarily for law enforcement. A 10 percent cash match is required and will not be waived. Grant is typically one year.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Announcement of availability of funds is mailed to all law enforcement agencies in Colorado. Applications must be signed and submitted by the chief executive of the local jurisdiction. A committee of the Office of Drug Control and System Improvement Advisory Board reviews and makes funding recommendations of all applications received.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Application deadline varies from year to year.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Dolores County Sheriff's Department
Edgewater Police Department
Moffat County
Prowers County Sheriff's Office
Town of Center Police Department
Manassa Police Department

School Zone Speed Deterrent
Office Automation Project
Vehicle Video Camera Project
Tactical Patrol Development
Officer Overtime
Effective Law Enforcement Through Community Policing

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**PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE****RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE
ABUSE TREATMENT FOR
STATE PRISONERS****PURPOSE:**

To assist states and units of local government in developing and implementing residential substance abuse treatment programs within state and local correctional and detention facilities in which prisoners are incarcerated for a period of time sufficient to permit substance abuse treatment.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funds may be used to implement residential substance abuse treatment programs that provide individual and group treatment activities for offenders in residential facilities operated by state and local correctional agencies. Up to 10 percent of funds may be used for aftercare.

RESTRICTIONS:

Programs must: (1) last between 6 and 12 months. Offenders must participate not less than 6 months or more than 12 months, unless s/he drops out or is terminated; (2) be provided in residential treatment facilities set apart from the general correctional population; (3) focus on substance abuse problems of the inmate; (4) develop the inmate's cognitive, behavioral, social, vocational and other skills to solve the substance abuse and related problems; (5) comply with and utilize the statewide Standardized Assessment process developed pursuant to House Bill 91-1173. Offenders selected to receive this specialized treatment must score a level six pursuant to the state Standardized Assessments; (6) demonstrate the ability to implement a process for urinalysis testing of offenders; (7) include relapse prevention and aftercare services; and (8) provide a 25 percent cash match.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants apply annually through an Announcement of the Availability of Funds that is posted on Colorado Department of Public Safety's website, www.cdpsweb.state.co.us/occ.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Thirty days following the mailing of the application.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity	Project Description
Colorado Department of Corrections	Arrowhead Residential Treatment Women's Therapeutic Community Sterling Therapeutic Community
Colorado Division of Youth Corrections	Lookout Enriched Treatment Transitional Services Zebulon Pike Enriched Treatment & Transitional Services
University of Colorado Health Science Center Addiction Research & Treatment Services - Peer I & The Haven	Education/Vocational Training for Therapeutic Community

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PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

VIOLENT OFFENDER INCARCERATION/TRUTH IN SENTENCING (VOI-TIS)

PURPOSE:

To provide funds to states to build or expand correctional facilities to increase bed capacity for the confinement of persons convicted of a Part 1 violent crime or adjudicated delinquent for an act which, if committed by an adult, would be a Part 1 violent crime; to build or expand temporary or permanent correctional facilities for the confinement of nonviolent offenders for the purpose of freeing suitable existing prison space for the confinement of persons convicted of a Part 1 violent crime; to build or expand jails. (Part 1 violent crimes are murder, non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault.)

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funds are to be used for construction expenses, which are identified as costs associated with erection, acquisition, renovation, repair, remodeling, or expansion of new or existing buildings or other physical facilities and the acquisition or installation of fixed furnishings and equipment. Included are facility planning, pre-architectural programming, architectural design, preservation, construction administration, construction management, or project management costs.

RESTRICTIONS:

Construction does not include the purchase of land. The need for expansion of jail facilities must be a direct result of the state's efforts to incarcerate more violent offenders, which results in a jail backlog of nonviolent state prisoners. Applicants must provide a 10 percent cash match. Funds for local jurisdictions are limited to 15 percent of the total grant award. The total award to the State of Colorado is approximately \$3,000,000. All projects must comply with the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) requirements.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants apply annually through an Announcement of the Availability of Funds which are mailed to state correction agencies and county sheriffs. **(This fund has not been re-appropriated by congress. No further local allocations will be made through this grant funding source. Only state correctional agencies may apply for remaining funds.)**

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

See above application process.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Jail expansion/construction in Adams, Kit Carson, Costilla, Conejos and Moffat Counties. Planning and design for the Girls Unit at Mount View Youth Services Center of the Colorado Division of Youth Corrections. Prison construction and drug interdiction program for the Colorado Department of Corrections. Community Corrections facility for Larimer County.

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PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICE OF TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE FUND (LEAF)

PURPOSE:

The Law Enforcement Assistance Fund (LEAF) was established in 1982 by the Colorado General Assembly to fund driving under the influence enforcement programs at the local level. Approximately \$1.4 million dollars are available each year. The program is funded by the fees paid by individuals convicted while driving under the influence (DUI) offenders.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Grant funding is awarded to local law enforcement agencies to help fund DUI patrols, DUI enforcement vehicles, breath testing instruments and training.

RESTRICTIONS:

State agencies are not eligible for LEAF funding, only local law enforcement agencies.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are accepted only one time per year.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Applications are due by September 1 or the first business day if the first falls on a weekend or holiday.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity/Project:	Amount:
Denver Police Department - overtime and car	\$131,000
Yuma Police Department - overtime	\$10,000
Gilpin County Sheriff Department - overtime	\$31,000
TOTAL:	\$172,000.00
Note: Each year approximately 45-50 grants are awarded. The funding breakdown in 2001 consisted of 35 cities and 18 counties. The average grants award is \$27,000	

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PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

*Local Law Enforcement Block
Grants*

PURPOSE:

To provide units of local governments with funds to underwrite crime reduction projects and improves public safety.

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Funds may be used for one of seven areas: (1)(a) hiring, training, employing additional law enforcement officers and necessary support personnel; (1)(b) paying overtime to currently law enforcement officers and support personnel for the purpose of increasing hours worked; (1)(c) procuring equipment, technology, and other materials directly related to basic law enforcement functions; (2) enhancing security measures in and around schools; (3) establishing and supporting drug courts; (4) enhancing the adjudication of cases involving violent offenders; (5) establishing a multi-jurisdictional task force to work with federal law enforcement officials to prevent and control crime; (6) establishing crime prevention programs with community residents and law enforcement personnel; and (7) defraying the cost of indemnification insurance of law enforcement officers.

RESTRICTIONS:

The unit of local government law enforcement agency must report to the Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) Program at the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The program's formula is based on a jurisdiction's number of violent crimes reported to the FBI. Jurisdictions reporting crime statistics above the formula-based threshold of \$10,000 are eligible for direct awards. Funds cannot be used to purchase, lease, rent, acquire any vehicle not used primarily for law enforcement, supplement state or local funds, but instead, increase the amount of funds that would be available from state and local sources. A 10 percent cash match is required and will not be waived.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Request for proposals are only accepted. Application signed and submitted by the chief executive of the jurisdiction. A local advisory board to review the application must be established. There must be at least one public hearing for the proposed use of funds. Application reviewed by the governor, or designee, at least 20 days prior to submission to the Bureau of Justice Assistance. Agency must give suitable preference in the employment of the Armed Forces persons who were involuntarily separated or retired due to the reductions in the Department of Defense.

PROPOSED DEADLINES:

Deadline varies from year to year. Late applications will be accepted on a case-by-case basis.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS:

Entity/Project :	Amount:
La Junta	\$13,888
Durango	\$18,469
Eagle County	\$14,923
Jefferson County	\$30,732
TOTAL :	\$78,012.00

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